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**SIR MALCOLM CAMPBELL**  
established the world's  
record land speed of 245  
miles per hour on—  
**DUNLOP**  
**TYRES**

## OFFICER SLAIN IN AFRICAN REBEL AMBUSH.

## CUT TO PIECES BY FANATICS.

## "MAD MULLAH" ALSO KILLED IN ENGAGEMENT.

## SIERRA LEONE REVOLT.

Sierra Leone, Feb. 20.  
Lieutenant H. J. Holmes, of the Sierra Leone Battalion, Royal West African Frontier Force, met with a terrible death at the hands of religious fanatics to-day, the murder being followed by a short engagement which brought an end to the exploits of a West African "Mad Mullah."

The "Mad Mullah" has been giving the British authorities considerable trouble in the Kambia region of Sierra Leone recently. He was a Mohammedan named Idara and it is understood that he arrived in British territory from French Guinea.

His exploits have ended, however, with the death of himself, four of his followers and Lieut. Holmes.

A Conjuror.

Idara gained influence as a zealous convert of the simple natives of Kambia to Islam, in which he was assisted by his ability to perform conjuring tricks.

After he had made converts of large numbers of the tribesmen, he sought to persuade them to defy the Commissioner.

Armed Insurrection.

Eventually, the position grew serious, the Commissioner served Idara with a deportation order. The "Mad Mullah" attacked the Commissioner's clerk with a drawn sword and threatened to kill the Commissioner.

Apparently, he realised that the incident was destined to lead to trouble and he collected together a force of natives, armed with swords, cutlasses and guns.

Lieut. Holmes Ambushed.

A platoon of the Royal West African Frontier Force was immediately sent to Kambia, headed by two British officers and a British N.C.O. The party camped for the night close to the headquarters of Idara's "rebels."

Lieutenant Holmes fell into an ambush while he was visiting a sentry-post, and with no help at hand, he was literally cut to pieces by the fanatics with their swords.

The troops heard his cries and an attack was made. Four of the rebels were shot dead, but the others made their escape.

Idara Killed.

It was subsequently learned that Idara himself had been shot and fatally wounded.

The military forces were reinforced and in the round-up which followed, the ringleaders of the outbreak were arrested, and the other malcontents dispersed.

The more orthodox Mohammedans refused to participate in Idara's insurrection.

Lieut. H. J. Holmes had been in Sierra Leone since 1927, having been seconded from the Prince of Wales's Volunteers (West Lancashire) Regiment. He joined the Army in 1923.—*Reuter.*

## FIRE DISASTER IN MANCHURIA.

## JAPANESE CONSULATE BURNED TO GROUND.

Tokyo, Feb. 21.  
A message received from Changchun, in Manchuria, states that the Japanese Consulate was completely destroyed by fire last night.

The cause is so far not known. There were no casualties.—*Reuter.*

## THE PRINCES' TOUR.

London, Feb. 20.  
The Prince of Wales and Prince George left La Paz, Bolivia, shortly after midnight for Antofagasta, Chile.—*British Wireless.*

## CAMPBELL FETED IN LONDON.

## ROUSING RECEPTION FROM ENORMOUS CROWDS.

## OFFICIAL WELCOME.

London, Feb. 20.  
Waterloo railway station was early festooned with flags and bunting in honour of Sir Malcolm Campbell, who arrived in London from Southampton to-day. After a triumphant arrival, welcomed by a huge enthusiastic crowd, headed by the Lord Mayor, Sir Malcolm motored to Westminster Hall where he was officially welcomed by the Government, represented by Mr. Herbert Morrison and Mr. Collett, Secretary for Overseas Trade.

The ancient hall was flooded with the white glare of arc-lights for photographers and film operators, while an enormous crowd cheered and shouted "Good old Campbell!"

Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Minister of Transport, in a speech of welcome, paid a tribute to Sir Malcolm Campbell's achievement, which he said would enhance British prestige, proving as it did the outstanding efficiency of British engineering.

Sir Malcolm Campbell replied that he was proud of his endeavour has helped to cement friendship between Britain and the United States and to uphold British traditions.

Later, at a reception at the Royal Automobile Club, he said:

## SILVER LOAN TO CHINA.

Endorsed by Minister of  
Commerce.

## HOPES OF EARLY ACTION.

Nanking, Feb. 20.  
Mr. H. H. Kung, the Minister of Industry, Labour and Commerce, has cabled to Washington endorsing the proposal for an American silver loan to China.

He expresses the hope that action will be taken before the American Congress adjourns in March.—*Reuter.*

## GIRL "SLAVES" IN HONGKONG.

## SIR JOHN SIMON JOINS THE CRUICK.

London, Feb. 20.  
In a speech at Oxford to-night, Sir John Simon, after referring to the tremendous amount of slavery in China, alluded to the position in Hongkong.

He said he felt that despite the efforts made, there existed there a condition under which children, especially girls were attached to employers under conditions indistinguishable from slavery.

He added: "Don't let us spend all our time lecturing other people. Let us see first if we can get rid of all slavery in the arena we control. Let us set an example to the rest of the world."—*Reuter.*

## CAIRO-CAPE FLIGHT.

London, Feb. 20.  
On its return journey from the Cape to Cairo, the Royal Air Force South African Flight left Bulawayo for Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, to-day.—*British Wireless.*

## KING ZOGU FIRED AT.

## ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT.

## VIENNA ATTACK.

An attempt was made to assassinate Achmed Zogu, the King of Albania, at Vienna yesterday. Several shots were fired, but the King was not struck. One of the members of his suite was killed.

According to a Reuter message, the King was leaving the Opera House at Vienna, when two men, who had been waiting in concealment, opened fire. One of the members of his suite dropped dead, but King Zogu escaped.

His assailants were arrested. King Zogu is in Vienna for the purpose of undergoing treatment.



## WIVES WHO ARE IGNORED.

## MISS RATHBONES' BILL TO CONTROL WILLS.

London, Feb. 20.  
The House of Commons by 149 votes to 28 gave a second reading to a private Bill submitted by Miss Rathbones (Ind.) setting forth that a husband, in his will, must properly provide for the support for his wife, and also for such children whose age necessitates parental support.

The Bill will similarly affect the wills of wives.

On the proposal of Sir Stafford Cripps, the Solicitor-General, the measure was referred to a joint Parliamentary Committee for consideration before the Government will be prepared to facilitate its passage into law.

Britain is the only country where a husband is allowed to make a will excluding his wife and children.—*Reuter.*

## BIG LOCK-OUT IN GERMANY.

## NINE THOUSAND WORKERS IDLED.

Cologne, Feb. 20.  
Eight thousand steel workers and a thousand miners have been rendered idle by the decision of the German Steel Trust to close down its works at Ruhrortmoller, near Dusseldorf.

The Trade Unions refused to allow the men to accept the employers' offer to continue working at a wage reduction of 20 per cent.—*Reuter.*

## CLAN FEUD FEARED.

They now accuse the school managers of being Communist in tendency, while the managers have issued an appeal to the public and scattered it all over the country-side. Their case does not appear to be a very strong one, but there is grave danger of the matter developing into a serious clan feud, which would be a serious loss to the country.—*(Continued on Page 14.)*

## SCHOOL WRECKED BY ANGRY MOB.

## RIOTOUS SCENES AT HO-PHO.

## REVENGE FOR DESTRUCTION OF A TEMPLE.

## TACTLESS MANAGERS.

(Our Own Correspondent.)  
Swatow, Feb. 19.  
The magnificent new Middle School at the important market town of Ho-pho stands almost a complete wreck to-day, following an attack by an angry mob from the market. All its equipment was looted. Every inch of woodwork was either stripped off bodily or burned. Not a door or a window remained after the mob had satisfied their fury.

The school is a new one, opened only last year. Its buildings consisted of two two-storied ferro-concrete buildings, which made an imposing pile on the hillside over the river from the town, and hidden from it in a landscape of profuse timber country.

Cause of the Riot.

The serious incident resulted from the government regulation that all schools have to provide themselves with a substantial endowment fund. The managers of this one claim that it was agreed that the temple of the god of literature, which occupies an important place in the market, should be handed over to them for this purpose.

Their plan was to pull down the temple and build shops on the site.

## MORE BAD LUCK FOR BROPHY.

Leaves for Manila But Has  
to Return.

## ENCOUNTERS DENSE FOG.

Bad weather again attended Mr. G. W. Brophy, of the L. E. Gale Company, when he left Kai Tak on his flight to Manila this morning, thick fog compelling him to return to the Colony within half an hour.

With conditions not very good in Hongkong, but Pratas reporting moderate weather, Mr. Brophy took off in his Waco model "P" open cockpit machine at 8.35 this morning, but after having travelled for about 25 miles, he ran into a dense fog. He continued for some time but as the fog showed no prospect of thinning, he decided to turn back, landing at Kai Tak at about nine o'clock.

## PRINCES MISS PERU REVOLT.

## MAY ENCOUNTER UNREST IN ARGENTINA.

New York, Feb. 20.  
The Prince of Wales and Prince George by their departure from Lima on the 18th, narrowly missed an attempted revolution in Peru.

Armed civilians attacked the Presidential Palace at Lima early in the morning. They were driven off and fled to Callao, where they took refuge in an old fort, from which they were ejected after a short siege.

Argentina and Paraguay are also stirring, unrest being revealed in recent incidents. Fifteen army officers were arrested at Buenos Aires in connexion with an anti-Government plot, while revolutionaries in Paraguay have captured the frontier town of Villa Encarnacion.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## NEW OIL BASE FOR TURKEY.

## RUSSIAN SYNDICATE TO UNDERTAKE.

Moscow, Feb. 20.  
The Naphtin Syndicate has concluded an agreement with the Constantinople Municipality for the construction of an oil base at Constantinople, at a cost of £300,000 (Turkish currency).—*Reuter.*

## SNOWSTORM DISASTER.

## MANY KILLED ON HANKOW RLY.

## COLLAPSE TOLL.

Hankow, Feb. 20.  
Much damage and loss of life has been caused by severe snowstorms in this part of the country, and almost every district in Central China, according to reports now coming in.

A train on its way for Hankow on Sunday was derailed when it ran into unexpected snow-drifts. The wreck was a serious one and a score of passengers were killed and many injured, their privations being accentuated by the intense cold.

Many houses in the native city at Hankow have collapsed under the weight of snow. No fewer than eight collapses were reported on Tuesday alone, and it is stated that twenty-five people were killed in these mishaps.

The celebration of Chinese New Year was almost brought to a standstill by the severe snowstorm, which raged for days. Telephone and telegraph services were interrupted, and all trains on the Peking-Hankow Railway have now been brought to a standstill. Old-timers state that the fall has been the worst for forty years.

A report from Nanking states that the destruction of small houses and huts has resulted from terrible snowstorms in that region.—*Reuter and Exchange.*

## YOUNG BRITON'S FLIGHT.

## GRADUATE ATTEMPTS RECORD TO AUSTRALIA.

Lyons, Feb. 20.  
A young Cambridge graduate, named Fairbairn, left London yesterday in a light aeroplane in an attempt to beat Wing Commander Kingsford Smith's record flight to Australia.

He is, however, at present held up here owing to unfavourable weather.—*Reuter.*

## FLIGHT LIENHANT ROSE HAS ABANDONED HIS ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH NEW RECORD FOR SOLO FLIGHT FROM ENGLAND TO CAPE TOWN.

London, Feb. 20.  
Flight Lieutenant Rose has abandoned his attempt to establish new record for solo flight from England to Capetown. He is likely to be delayed about a week at Palmyre, effecting repairs to the undercarriage of his aeroplane which was wrecked in landing after his flight from Bulawayo yesterday. The airman was uninjured.—*British Wireless.*

## MACWHIRTER SAYS CONSTANT DROPPING IN CAUSES A LOT OF FALLING OUT.

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## ONE MAN'S TELEPHONE IS ANOTHER MAN'S WRONG NUMBER.

Talking about Civil Servants, some people whistle while they work—others just whistle.

## ONE SWALLOW MAY NOT MAKE A SUMMER, BUT MANY SWALLOWS WILL MAKE A SPRING IN REVENUE RETURNS WHEN THE NEW DUTIES COME INTO FORCE.

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## Bulls and Innors

From the Office Butts.

There is no truth in the rumour that local Scotsmen are going to hold a mass meeting to protest against taxing the people's food as threatened by the new liquor taxes.

The present trade depression resembles the Great War. Experts thought it would be over in a few months.

Doctors say these damp, foggy mornings are the times when people catch things. Not the 8.30 a.m. ferry, though.

Catchwords which have been freely used in Hongkong this week:—"Stop, thief!"

Constable Horner stood at a corner. Diligent, cheerful and cute, ignoring the traffic with smile most seraphic. But on the alert to salute.

Another infamous saying:—"Haven't I met you somewhere before?"

And another:—"I've heard it before, but go ahead, tell it again!"

Hongkong may be a bit behind in some things, but she can give points to Shanghai when it comes to Rugger.

An apple a day keeps the doctor away—but don't get the seeds in your windpipe.

These days the head of the house usually gets all the headaches.

We commend to the notice of the Retrenchment Committee a reads a newspaper headline. machine handled by three men. Nevertheless, the reign will continue!

Too many Hongkong people take golf seriously, especially the wives of the players.

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## CORRESPONDENCE.

Popsy on Taxes.

[To The Editor of Hongkong  
Telegraph.]

My dear—Tubby says that now they've altered the Liquid and Tobacco dues I ought to keep the household books on a sterling base because the place will soon go cold and I don't wonder. He explained everything beautifully and I took the Comptroller's book this morning and multiplied it by eleven and a bit and—divided it by twenty and then went down to the shop and offered him ever so many confidential dollars and told him how they were worth one and eightpence each and that all he had got to do was to multiply by twenty and divide by that eleven and a bit and that if there was anything over he could send us a bolting chicken and some brussels sprouts.

I am sure I got it all right because we should have made nearly eighty dollars and I could have had that new hat and Tubby had said the Government's idea was to make money, but the Comptroller did not seem to understand properly and after trying it on that absurd thing and rattling the beads a lot got all muddled and would not take the money, so I've sent him a cheque instead and they'll explain and put everything right for him when he goes to the bank. I think the Government ought to write to the Comptroller and people and tell them in Chinese all about it just like poor Sir William did with the civil servants and then everybody would understand how much better off they were. We shall save us and on our books this month.

And my dear, did you read that letter by that dreadful person who positively wants to do away with the Military Distribution?—too crude, my dear. Besides look at all the money they bring into the place and how beautifully they dance and whoever could grudge a few dollars for them and besides Tubby says that quite obviously we shall only pay confidential dollars for them because they're imported, so they'll cost practically nothing.

And Tubby says it's all wrong what that other man wrote about our being lightly taxed and what's Income Tax got to do with it because you need never stay in England more than six months so you don't have to pay any and we never do anyhow.—Yours

Popsy.

**FIRE ON P. AND O.  
S.S. KHIVA.**

STARTED IN A FIRST  
CLASS CABIN.

Tokyo, Feb. 20.

A message from "Kusan" states that a fire broke out in one of the first class cabins on the P. and O. s.s. Khiva, bound for Dairen, yesterday afternoon off the Korean coast.

Part of the deck was destroyed, and the cargo was seriously damaged, before the flames were quelled.

There were no casualties, and the ship is continuing the voyage under her own power.—*Reuter.*

[The Khiva, of 9,135 tons, is on the Japan-Europe run, and is scheduled to leave Hongkong for Marseilles and London on March 7.]

**JAPANESE LABOUR.**

UNIONS AT LENGTH TO BE  
RECOGNISED.

Tokyo, Feb. 20.

The Labour Union Bill, recognising the right of workers to organise and resort to collective action within specified limits, has been presented by the Government in the Lower House.

Hitherto the unions have existed on sufferance only, no legal recognition being accorded them.

For the purpose of allaying the fears of the capitalists, the Government is also preparing a complementary Bill aiming at control of labour disputes.—*Reuter.*

## INGENIOUS FRAUD DETAILED.

HOW WOMAN WAS ROBBED  
OF LARGE SUM.

An ingenious swindle by confidence tricksters was related to Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when Leung Ming (43) was charged with defrauding a Chinese woman of \$213 by means of the familiar banknote trick. The defendant, through Mr. F.C.E. Randall, pleaded "not guilty."

Mrs. Wong Sau-lan, wife of a native physician living at 24 Queen's Road West, told the Court how, on February 10, she came to know the defendant and another person—a mere boy—who was not in custody. She had been to the Yau Kee Bank, Queen's Road Central, to draw some money and when she left the place she had a fairly substantial sum on her.

Near the jewellery store of Lee Jim Kee, on her way home, she was accosted by a youth who, appearing to be a complete stranger to the city, enquired of her the way to West Point. After being given his direction, he casually mentioned that he had come by a piece of good fortune—he had found a bundle of notes in a rubbish basket while on board a river steamer arriving here from Wuchow.

"I told him that this is the time of year when it was dangerous to go about with such a big amount of money, and advised him to keep it securely in his pocket," she said.

At that moment, a man, respectfully dressed in a long coat and having a prosperous air about him, and who seemed to have by chance found himself amongst them, chipped in with the advice. "It is a good thing for you that you have met this lady and myself. Otherwise, you would assuredly have lost your life through having so much money on you."

The youth was grateful for their solicitude, and while making it clear he was under an obligation to them to that extent, wished to further impose himself on their kindness. Would they guide him to his uncle's residence?

At which, the long-coated gentleman was all willingness, and assumed that the lady too, would also accompany them.

The lady demurred. She said she was occupied with other things. Besides, she pointed out, the money being not lawfully the youth's, who could say what ill consequences might not arise from its retention?

"That is all right," the long-coated gentleman exclaimed, in hastening to allay her fears. "I am a business man and should know how much there is in this which is lawful."

"Brown Copper Coins."

The youth continued to speak of his find, and said that he had also found some brown copper coins bearing the effigy of an eagle, with the package of notes. While on the steamer, he said, he had been tempted to buy an orange. He had paid for it with one of these brown coins and found it excellent currency, for it was accepted in place of the usual cent which was all the orange was worth.

"Oh, my," excitedly exclaimed the long-coated gentleman, on hearing the story. "You did not know what you have given away. That was an American gold dollar. The money must have been dropped by some rich Californian merchant."

There was further talk of changing the money the youth had found. He specified silver dollars as the best way of converting the find. The long-coated gentleman, remarking that he had just received over \$100 from a business source, produced a wallet from which he extracted a bundle of notes.

A sudden idea seemed to strike him at this moment. He turned to the lady and asked: "Have you got any money on you?" She said she had—some thirty dollars she had drawn from the Bank just before meeting them.

In a near-by cafe, into which they adjourned to discuss the matter, the long-coated gentleman informed them he was the proprietor of a money exchange shop—the Chung Kee—and he undertook to

## OBITUARY.

DEATH OF MR. HAROLD  
EDWARD HENDY.

His many friends in the Colony will regret to learn of the death of Mr. Harold Edward Hendy, a very old resident of the Colony, who passed away suddenly yesterday.

The late Mr. Hendy, who was 52 years of age, had been in Hongkong and China for something over 25 years, and was very well known locally and elsewhere on the coast. He came out originally to Hongkong as an engineer for the Taitam Reservoir, and was one of the first Europeans connected with its construction. He later served as a marine engineer, and was last employed as second engineer on the s.s. Taiting. A member of the Engineers' and Shipbuilders' Institute since his early days in the Colony, Mr. Hendy was well liked by all whom he met both inside and outside his profession.

The deceased was unmarried, but leaves relatives, several sisters, in England. The funeral is to take place this afternoon, passing the Monument at 4 o'clock.

change the notes. The youth said he happened to know a friend employed at the Chung Kee. That was unfortunate—as this man might prove inquisitive. As the best means of overcoming this difficulty, he suggested the lady should herself go to the shop and change the notes. He handed her the parcel and she put it in her pocket.

Eventually, the woman handed over all her money and her jewellery, which were wrapped up into separate parcels to prevent it being mixed up with the money she would get at the money changer's. These parcels were handed to her, and she left the two at the cafe, arranging to meet them later at the On Lok Yuen establishment. On her way to the money changer's



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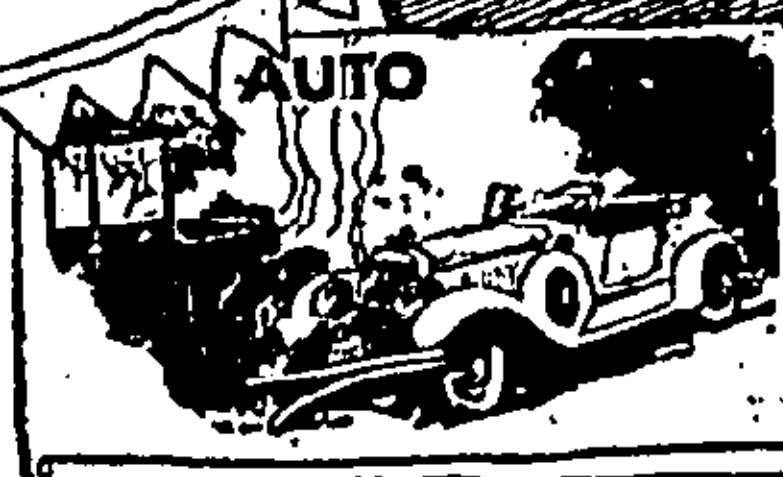
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she opened the parcels, and found her money and jewellery to be missing and no bank notes in the youth's parcel. All the parcels were simply newspaper bundles. Slight of hand had been practiced on her. Of course, she did not discover the rogues. A report was made to the Police and later she picked out the defendant at an identification parade she attended at the Central Police Station. The case was adjourned until Tuesday.



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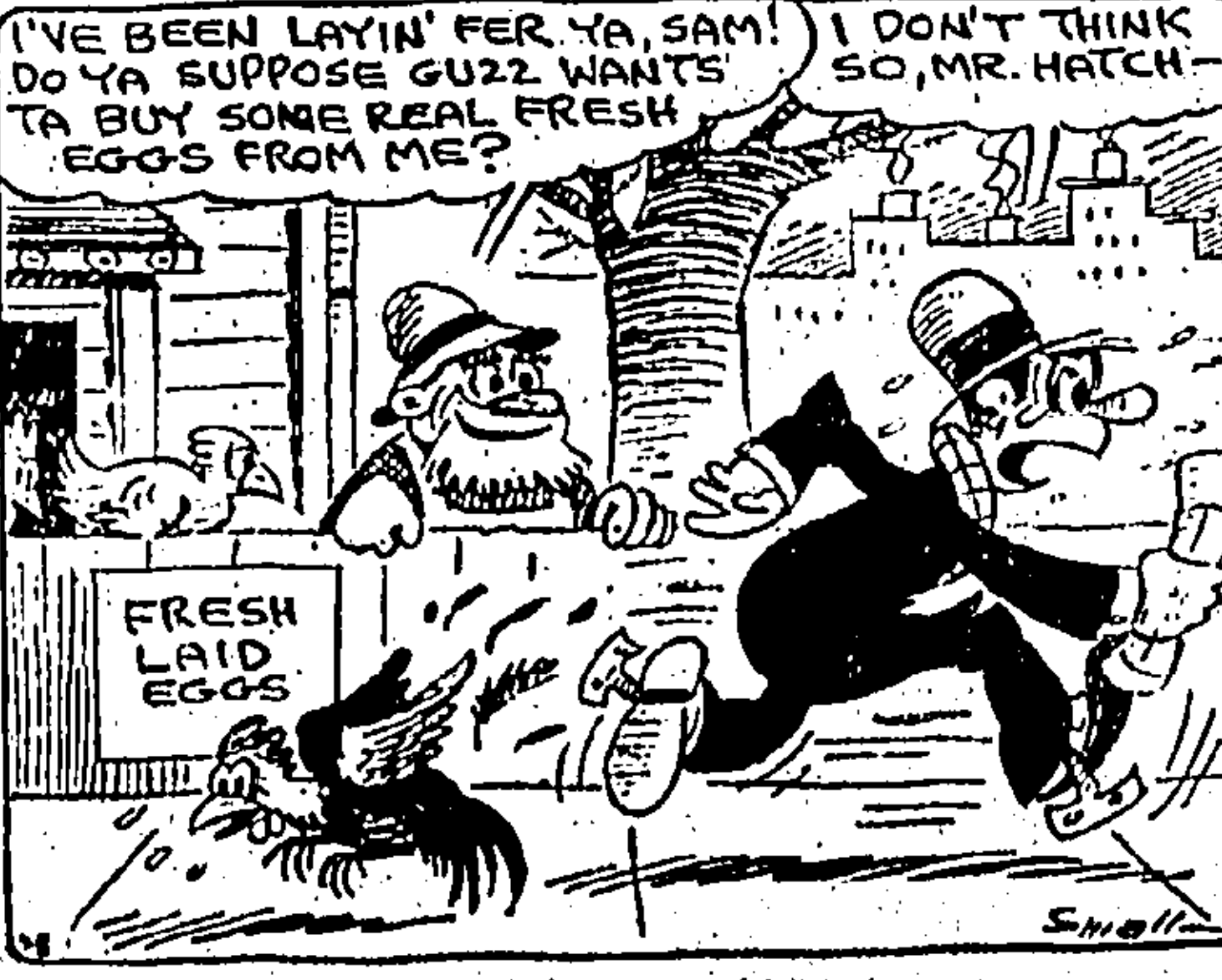
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## BRITISH MISSION ENTERTAINED.

CHINESE DINNER GIVEN AT  
WEST POINT.

### COLONY'S TRADE.

Members of the British  
Economic Mission and officials of  
the Hongkong Government were  
the guests of honour at a Chinese  
dinner given at the Kam Ling  
Restaurant last evening by the  
members of the Chinese Chamber  
of Commerce, Mr. Li Yik-mul  
(chairman) presiding.

Addressing the diners in Chinese,  
Mr. Li Yik-mul, whose speech  
was interpreted said: Sir Ernest  
Thompson and gentlemen. You  
members of the British Economic  
Mission and Officials of the Hong-  
kong Government have done us a  
great honour by favouring us with  
your presence here to-night as it  
gives us members of the Chinese  
Chamber of Commerce the opportunity to extend to you our most  
sincere greetings and at the same  
time to cultivate your acquaintance.

Hongkong, being the last place  
on the programme of your Mission's  
visit to the Far East, to-night's  
gathering is the last opportunity  
we Chinese merchants may avail  
ourselves of to extend to you our  
heartiest and warmest welcome.  
You will, therefore, permit me to  
say a few words to commemorate  
to-night's occasion, as well as to  
wish you a bright and prosperous  
future.

### South China Trade.

Since China was opened during  
the late Ching Dynasty to international  
trade, foreign goods began  
pouring into China from every  
direction. In South China British  
goods used to enjoy the greatest  
sale as they were the most popular.  
As a free port for nearly a hundred  
years, Hongkong, with its facilities  
for transshipment and warehousing,  
has become the entrepot of Sino-  
British trade and as such has be-  
come one of the most flourishing  
and prosperous cities in South  
China. In view of the fact that  
British goods have a great deal to  
rely on Hongkong for distribution  
and that on the other hand it is by  
virtue of British goods that Hong-  
kong largely derives its prosperity,  
the importance of the relation be-  
tween the two will be easily  
realized. Their interests being so  
identical, their fate so interwoven  
that the rise or fall of the fortune  
of either cannot but have its re-  
percussion in the other.

Being a small merchant of  
Hongkong myself, naturally I would  
like to see the prosperity of Hong-  
kong and the increasing sale of  
goods. I venture to say that such  
a fate is not only mine alone but  
that it is also shared by all Chinese  
merchants here. After the close  
of the Great War things un-  
fortunately are not what they used  
to be. Since then the trade of  
Hongkong has declined considerably  
as compared with former days,  
while the import of British goods  
has also greatly fallen off. For  
example, let us take Piece Goods  
which constitute the biggest item  
in British exports to China. Of  
the total volume of imports of all  
foreign piece goods into China,  
Great Britain used to claim 70%  
while the rest of all the other countries  
together could claim only 30%.  
But the reverse is true to-day.

### British Products.

As regards the volume of other  
lines of British products, most of  
them have not increased to any ex-  
tent, while some of them even find  
it difficult to retain their former  
position. Under these circum-  
stances British products I am afraid  
will not be able to compete suc-  
cessfully with those of other countries  
unless determined efforts are made  
to seek necessary improvements and  
alterations. It is therefore most  
fortunate that you members of the  
Mission have made a timely move  
by coming out here to make per-  
sonal investigations on the spot.  
It is my sincere hope that you,  
having travelled thousands of miles to  
come out to China and having visited  
all the important ports and cities through-  
out North and South China, will  
turn into good use of what you have  
seen and heard during the present  
visit and devise a plan of improve-  
ment and reform with a view to  
regaining the lost ground of your  
China trade. With your clear fore-  
sight, with your keen sense of dis-  
cernment and, lastly, with your  
powerful resources, coupling with  
the careful and thorough investiga-  
tions carried out during your pre-  
sent visit, there is not the slightest  
doubt that you will attain your end  
in the not distant future.

Inasmuch as whatever increase  
you will be able to bring about in  
your exports to China will indirectly  
and correspondingly contribute  
to the prosperity of Hongkong, any  
improvement you gentlemen of the  
Mission may achieve as the result  
of your present visit will benefit  
not only Anglo-Chinese trade, but  
Hongkong also.

I therefore lift my glass to  
the health of you members  
of the British Economic Mission

and the unlimited expansion of British  
trade.

Sir E. Thompson Replies.

Sir Ernest Thompson in reply  
said:

I have first to thank your very  
much for the invitation which  
you sent to our Mission and I  
want to tell you how much we  
appreciate the honour of dining  
with you this evening. We ap-  
preciate this honour very much  
because we know that it brings  
us in close touch with the lead-  
ing Chinese merchants in Hong-  
kong.

You have said that this is the  
last opportunity you will have of  
meeting the members of our  
Mission. I want also to say that  
this is our last night out. We  
have had many occasions and  
many invitations to dine in  
different parts of China and this  
is the last occasion on which our  
Mission will go out to dinner.  
We are also very glad indeed that  
we shall be able to remember  
what an exceedingly good Chinese  
cuisine has been put before us  
to-night.

Your Chamber of Commerce is  
a very important one. I under-  
stand that it includes practically  
all the leading Chinese firms,  
and not only the firms, but many  
individual members of the com-  
munity and also the leading local  
guilds and associations. We have  
recognised that there must be  
many special difficulties that are  
found in the many special trades  
in Hongkong. For that reason we  
have been busy in trying to look  
into the difficulties if there are  
any, in the situation in Hongkong  
while we are here, so that we  
can give that point special at-  
tention when we come to prepare  
our report.

Mr. President you have warned  
us that to compete successfully  
we must seek improvements  
and alterations. Possibly one  
thing you had in your mind was  
the same thought that was in the  
mind of the President of the  
Hongkong General Chamber of  
Commerce when we dined with  
them the other evening when he  
said that China is a price market.  
This was very much emphasized.  
I noticed, in the local Press on  
the following day, I think I can  
say on behalf of my colleagues  
that we have been told this so  
very frequently that I think we  
must surely have sufficient  
evidence to prove the truth of  
that saying. I think I may also  
say that at all events that point  
of view will receive the very  
special attention of our Mission.

Perhaps, Sir, you had other  
improvements and alterations in  
mind and if so we shall carefully  
search through the advice which  
has been given us from all  
quarters of China and see whether  
we can use that advice in order  
to introduce alterations for the  
benefit of our trade. I should  
like to say here that it is a great  
pleasure to me to be able to  
acknowledge the very great help  
which we have received in all  
parts of China from the various  
Chinese Chambers of Commerce.  
(Hear, hear.)

We have received a great deal  
of assistance from them, from  
the dealers, from the merchants  
and, in fact, we have received  
kindness and assistance from the  
whole Chinese community in what-  
ever part of China we have been.

### Keeping in Touch.

Whatever changes may be made  
and in whatever way we pursue  
our trade in China, I think it is  
in the interests of all our traders  
at Home to keep in as close touch  
as possible with the Chinese con-  
sumer. I believe and I certainly  
more than hope that the present  
times will change. I hope that the  
present depression which has  
been passing over, not only this  
country, but others as well will  
soon pass away. It is surely our  
business to perfect our plans and  
to improve our machinery in  
whatever direction we can so that  
we can take much and full benefit  
when these improved times come.

With China a peaceful country  
we feel quite certain that there  
will be a return to great prosperity  
here and that necessarily will  
make a great improvement in the  
economical situation. I hope that  
with such a change we shall not  
always have to look upon China  
as a price market. I hope that by  
a better standard of living that  
there will be a better standard of  
purchases and that you will buy  
many of the things of articles that  
we, in the United Kingdom, make  
better than in all the countries  
of the world. (Hear, hear.)

During this time of reconstruc-  
tion I think it goes almost without  
saying, how willing we are to help  
in every possible direction. Whether  
that direction is a direction  
of finance, whether it is the direc-  
tion of material or in whatever  
way it is, I think you will find  
Great Britain very willing indeed  
to do everything that is possible.  
(Hear, hear.)

I think that the friendship of  
Great Britain for China is such a  
real thing that you may look upon  
practically anything that you wish  
in our direction. Just as I claim  
that about this friendship I want  
to claim your co-operation and

## TIN RESTRICTION MEASURES.

MALAYAN AND NIGERIAN  
POSITION EXPLAINED.

London, Feb. 20.

In the House of Commons, re-  
plying to questions, Dr. Drum-  
mond Shiels stated that the  
Government had approved in  
principle of the Governments of  
Malaya and Nigeria legislating  
to regulate the production and  
export of tin, as from March 1,  
subject to the Secretary of State  
being satisfied with the details  
for an international scheme,  
after negotiations with representa-  
tives of the Dutch Indies and  
Bolivian Governments, and on  
the understanding that the work-  
ing of the restriction scheme be  
controlled by a committee of re-  
presentatives of the four Govern-  
ments concerned, whereby the in-  
terests of consumers will be pro-  
tected against any excessive rise  
in price.

Mr. G. R. Strauss (Lab.) asked  
how frequently the quota might  
be varied, and Dr. Shiels replied  
that it would be periodically, but  
the actual periods would be  
settled after consultation with the  
international interests concerned.  
—Reuter.

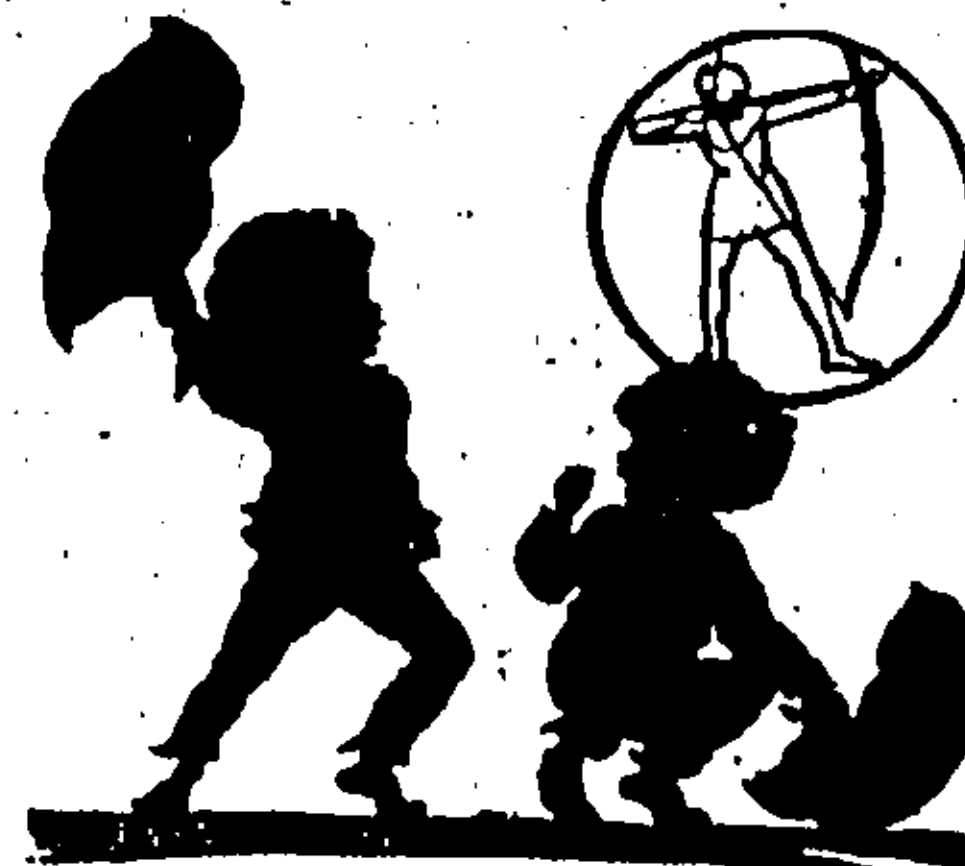
your help in the efforts which we  
have to make to secure again for  
ourselves a better place in our  
trade with China.

When I say that I want to claim  
this co-operation and help I think  
I may say, judging from the treat-  
ment which we have received over  
here, I feel quite sure that we  
shall receive it.

In conclusion Mr. President, I  
should like to say just one word  
about the importance of the work  
of Chambers of Commerce. I look  
upon the work which they can do  
as of the utmost importance to the  
commercial community. There  
are always difficulties in trade—  
sometimes, I am afraid, there are  
disputes—but I know what other  
Chambers of Commerce do and I  
am also sure your Chamber of  
Commerce does everything that it  
can to help in difficult matters.

One of the greatest works that  
the Chamber of Commerce can do  
is to see to it that all the traders  
in its district are able to trade in  
an equitable and fair and just  
manner with the help, and accord-  
ing to the rules of its Chamber of  
Commerce.

You said in conclusion what I  
should like to re-echo; that it is  
our help to do anything for the  
improvement of trade, that we  
hope that it will not only benefit  
Anglo-Chinese trade but also bene-  
fit the trade of Hongkong.  
I ask my friends to drink to the  
health of the Chinese Chamber of  
Commerce. (Applause.)



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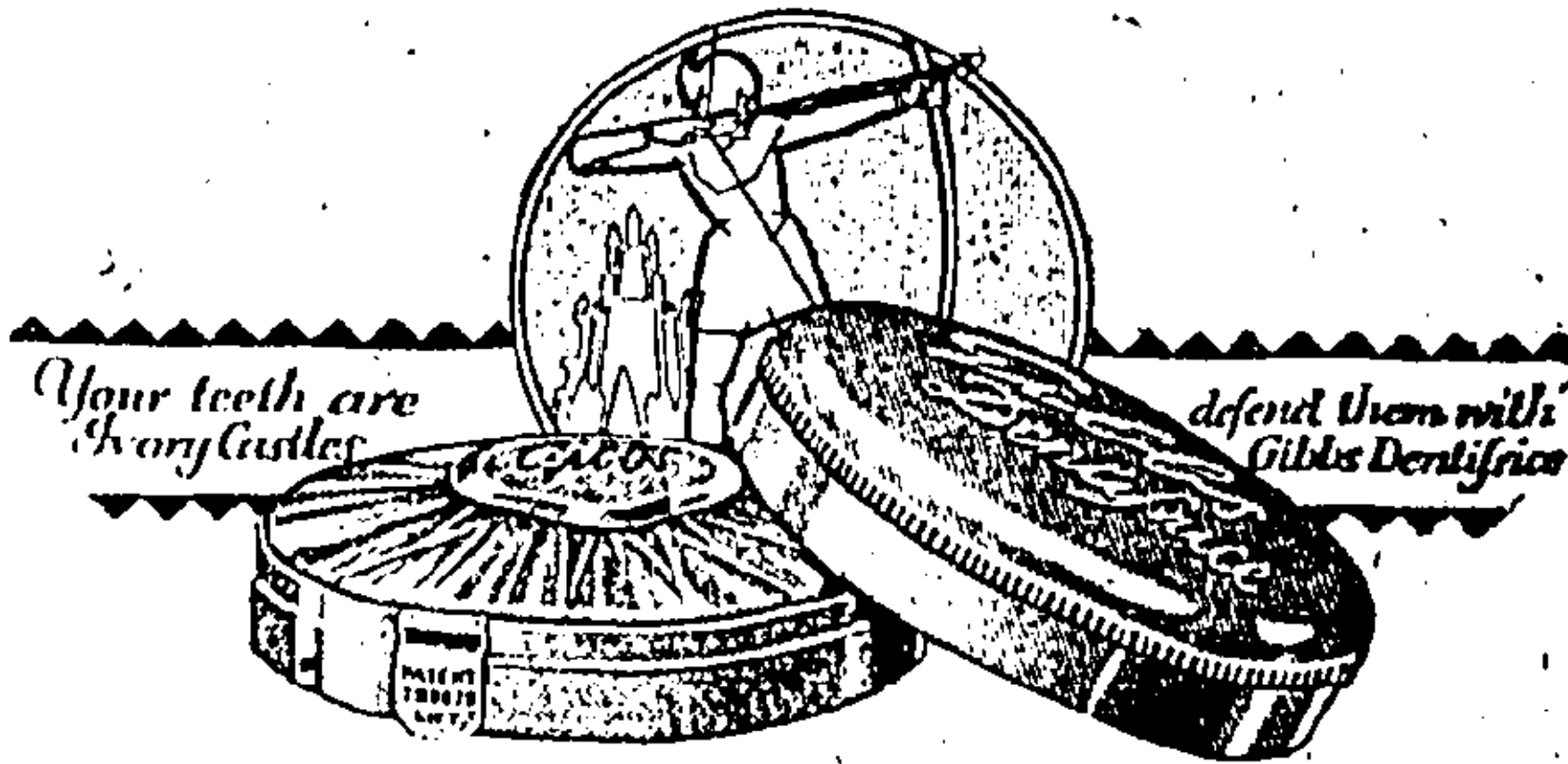
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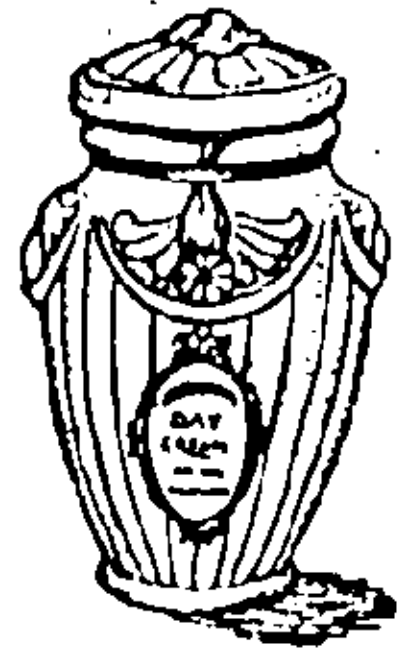


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### IS THIRTY-FIVE A HANDICAP?

Asks the Viscountess  
Dupplin.

Recently the surprising statement was made at an Oxford conference that at the age of thirty-five a woman throws out her present employment finds extraordinary difficulty in obtaining another post. If this is true it does not say much for the much vaunted equality of the sexes, but to my own contacts with workers of every description I do not believe it to be the case. Much nonsense has been written and talked on this question of age limit and age capacity. Some people assert that at 35 we are no longer pleasant to our colleagues while others say that only at 40 do we attain the balance between ambition and contentment.

#### No Age Limit.

To me mind within reason, there is no such thing as an age limit. One may find oneself in a position of disadvantage, but this is not a disadvantage of age. A man in a position of disadvantage who does not make the most of it is a man who has failed. A woman in a position of disadvantage who does not make the most of it is a woman who has failed. It is not age that is the disadvantage, but the failure to make the most of one's opportunities.

It is true that some professions, such as those of the acrobat, dancer, and jockey, demand long training and supple muscles, as do many

### branches of skilled labour. Then,

indeed, the years take their toll. Intensive training and practice are required to retain the proficiency of youth. But what of those other avenues—the workers in shops, banks, commercial concerns? For instance, is the telephone exchange supervisor too old at 35? Does the buyer of a big store find that she has no chance of re-employment at that age?

#### Experience Counts.

In itself age is no criterion of capacity or of ineptitude. Though middle-age usually means a level of experience, time and again I have found that 35 is indeed the best age when winning the wheat from the chaff of those applicants for such posts as matrons, assistant bursars, and the like. They know something of life, just as do those politicians, business men, and artists, who at 35 are just commencing to taste the sweets of success and to see the realization of their youthful hopes.

Forty years ago the woman of 35 most assuredly was "too old," for she was either a matron or a spinster definitely "on the shelf." Employment of any description was difficult to find; but that state of affairs is as dead as last year's leaves. To the active and capable

### EVENING WRAPS.

Colour is of Importance.

For the woman who wants to be smart, and has to be economical, the evening wrap of velveteen adorned with other trimming than its own soft surface is the best choice.

It may be made into a long, double-breasted redingote, a cape, or a rather long jacket that is fitted, or allowed to hang loose from the shoulders.

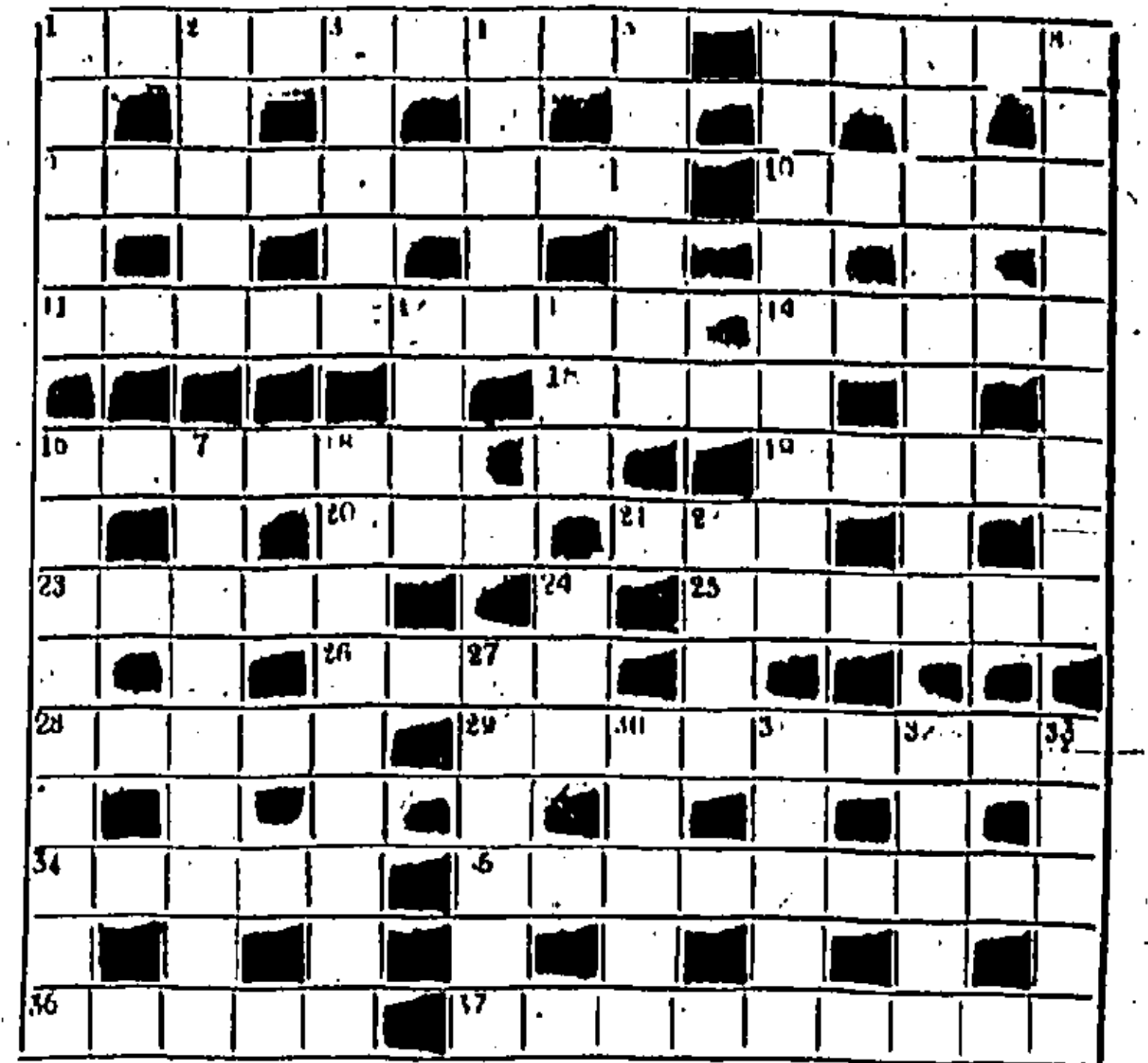
Colour is important to such wraps, very important—and some rich shade is advisable. Red, in a wine shade, makes a beautiful evening coat, particularly to wear with white evening frocks. Indelible-ink-blue or purple are two other colours that are exquisite in velveteen, and for the evening wrap.

These shades are just as practical as black, and far more effective, even in a limited wardrobe.

If your evening frocks are black, then a white evening coat is a smart complement, but remember, it requires a lot of cleaning.

woman of the mid-thirties the world is, to-day, her oyster. She can prize it open with the knife of energy, just as men are opening it to their own social and financial advantage. If women wish to be the equals of men—as indeed in many respects they already are—they will gain nothing by inducing in themselves an inferiority complex. There is always a place for the real worker provided she does not "lie down" at the first rebuff, and in many respects she will find her age an advantage instead of a handicap.

### OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



#### Across

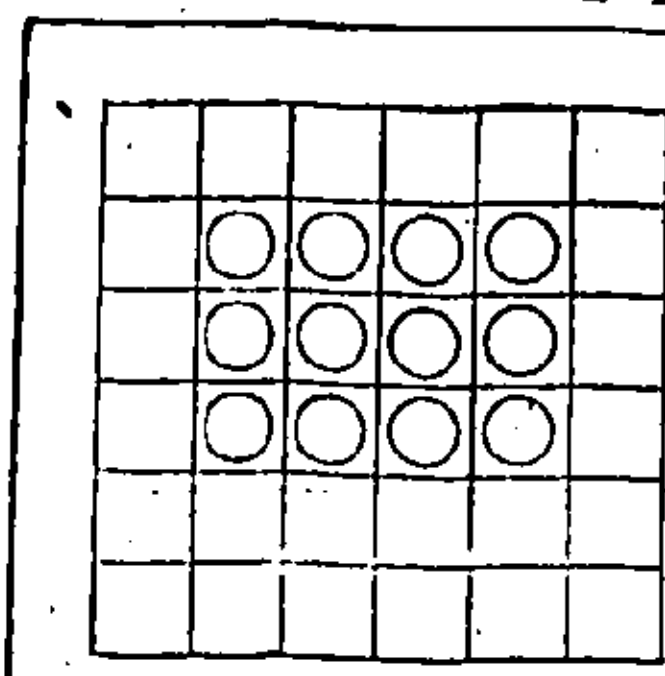
- 1 This foodstuff contains a fish in appropriate surroundings.
- 6 When this takes sides it becomes a very acedate person.
- 9 Here dark letters make a dark deed.
- 10 Burdened.
- 11 If this fastening be scolded it will become torn.
- 14 Relations in lilies.
- 15 Very large.
- 16 Leave this fishing-boat alone and find a water-worn stone in it.
- 19 "Route" (anag.).
- 20 Recapture the missing monkey, and describe his flight from captivity.
- 21 This bird may be seen at any time in Ghent.
- 23 This Balkan city has a rather feminine sound.
- 25 A light gig.
- 26 There is no this in this Clue.
- 28 A pole that sounds poetic.
- 29 A twelve-sided figure.
- 34 Oval, if remoulded.
- 35 "Covered with thick—squadrons bright"—Paradise Lost.
- 36 Frances says it's her day off, and she'd rather not (hidden).
- 37 Bring a swift horse to an ascent and it will become savage.

- 7 On, after hurtful herb, and the game is finished.
- 8 Rising again into being.
- 12 Flying men.
- 13 The early part of the evening.
- 16 This Spanish musical instrument looks, singularly, suitable for use on trawlers.
- 17 Bite round a girl and she bears two blossoms.
- 18 Property is often held thus.
- 22 A desirable adjunct to an appetite.
- 24 Fast.
- 27 A part of speech.
- 30 There will be a struggle about trade barriers (hidden).
- 31 This old Mexican has been turned completely upside down.
- 32 To make this a pot, add one.
- 33 A gentle push, in near enough.

#### Yesterday's Solution

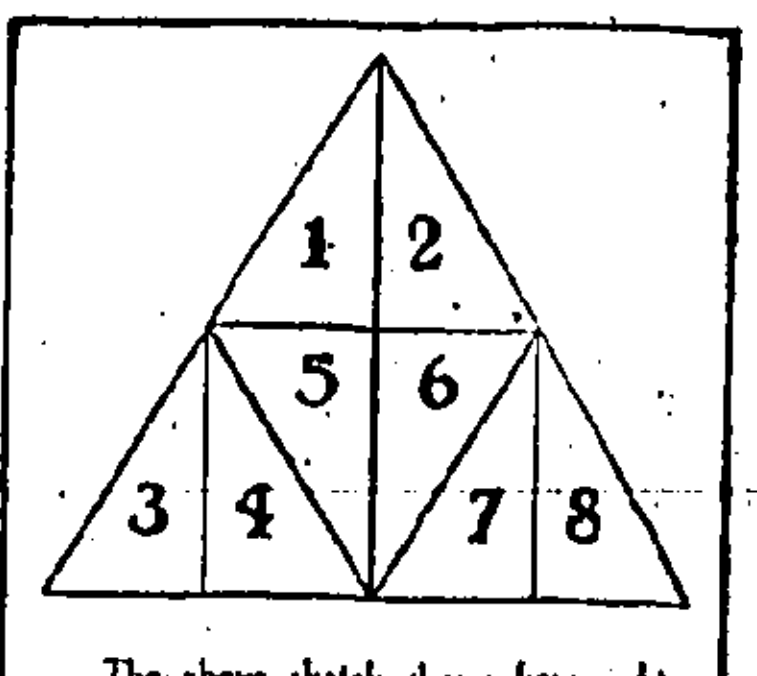
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## STICKERS



The sketch above represents a board of 36 squares, with 12 checkers thereon. See if you can rearrange the checkers so that each row of six squares on the board, horizontal, vertical and diagonal, contains just two checkers.

#### Yesterday's Solution.



The above sketch shows how eight brothers divided a triangular piece of land into eight parts in such a way that each part was exactly the same size and shape.

### POLITICS IN THE ANTIPODES.

#### TRADE UNION CONGRESS DEMAND.

Canberra, Feb. 20.  
A delegation from the Australian Council of the Trade Union Congress, in Sydney, has arrived, to demand a declaration of a state of national emergency, refused by Mr. Scullin, Mr. Theodore and Mr. Brennan, the Attorney General—*Reuter*.

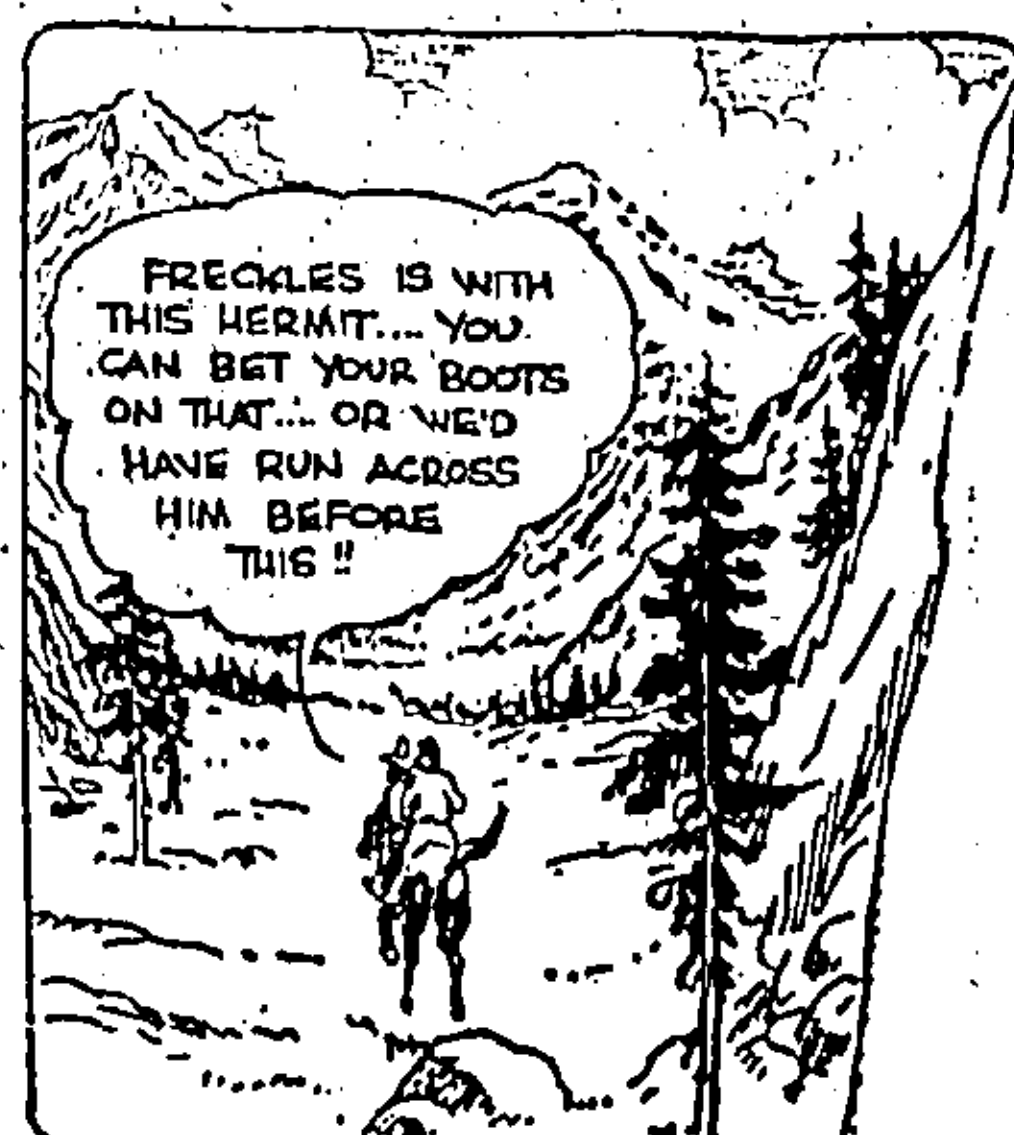
#### Silver—A Correction.

Canberra, Feb. 20.  
The message yesterday that the Labour caucus proposed the purchase of a million lbs of silver was incorrect. It should have been £1,000,000 worth of silver.—*Reuter*.

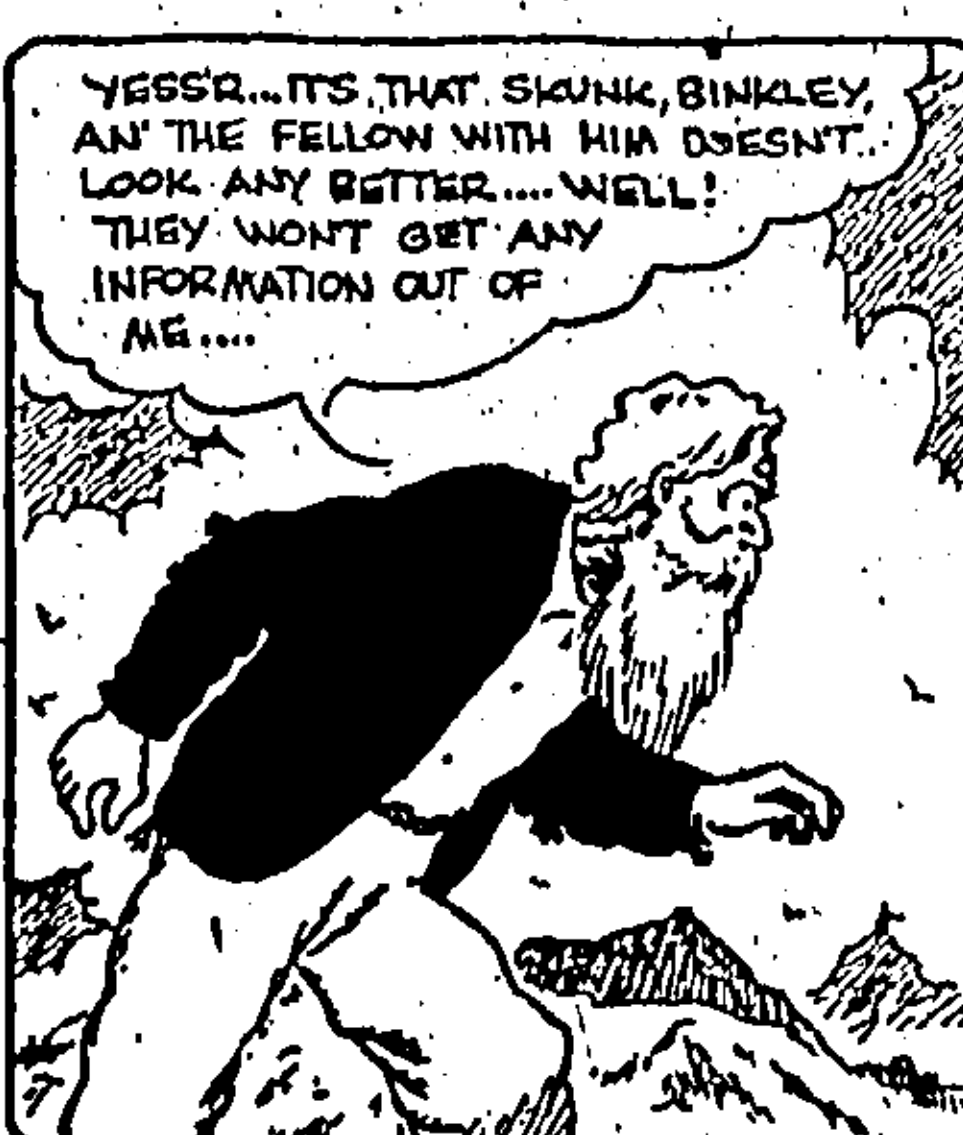
#### REUTER'S EDITORSHIP.

London, Feb. 20.  
Mr. A. H. Coules, the senior Editor of Reuters, and Mr. Rickatson Hatt, head of Reuters's New York Bureau, have been appointed joint Editors-in-Chief in London, with Mr. D. C. Pendergast as Associate Chief Editor.—*Reuter*.

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SATURDAY, FEB. 21, 1931.

## INDEMNITY BILL PROVISIONS.

The passing by the House of Commons of the China Indemnity Bill, under the provisions of which large sums are to be rendered available for educational purposes and the rehabilitation of Chinese railways, puts an end to a good deal of foolish and misinformed Parliamentary comment on the subject. For reasons which it is difficult to understand, several Liberal M.P.s have from the start been opposed to this measure. Indeed, about a month ago, Mr. George Lambert went so far as to move the rejection of the Bill, whilst even on the third reading the Liberals introduced an amendment, subsequently withdrawn, urging that no payments should be made from the Indemnity Funds for the purchase of railway material and demanding an arrangement regarding arrears of interest on Chinese Railway Loans now in default. The best answer to the latter point is that the sooner China's railways are rehabilitated, the better will be the prospects of British bondholders securing interest on their money, especially since the lines in which Britain has financial interest will, under the terms of the agreement, be first dealt with.

Opponents of the provisions of the Bill so far as they apply to railways have somehow got the idea into their heads that material projects should not be linked up with education. They forget two important facts—first, that the terms of the agreement largely emanated from the Chinese Government, and, secondly, that the funds to be applied to this particular purpose are in reality loans which will later be repaid and wholly devoted to educational development. In the proposals which Dr. C. T. Wang made to Sir Miles Lampson, and which were incorporated in the agreement, the former stated that it was China's intention to apply the bulk of the funds in the first instance to the creation of an endowment to be subsequently devoted to the educational purposes mentioned in the report of the Anglo-Chinese Advisory Committee in 1928. It was intended, he said, to invest the greater part of the funds in the rehabilitation and building of railways and in other productive enterprises in China. Orders for materials required, purchased out of the funds, would be placed in Britain. It was made clear that funds spent in this way would be regarded as loans,

bearing interest, from the Board of Trustees, to the Chinese Government Railways, and the amounts attributable to the service of such loans would be paid to the Trustees and by them applied to educational purposes at the earliest possible moment. It is well to explain, however, that there will be no question of the plans for educational development being held up indefinitely until the loans are repaid. As Mr. Dalton explained some time ago, the Chinese Government Purchasing Commission is to invest over £3,000,000 in the rehabilitation of railways, and future payments between now and 1945 will aggregate £8,000,000, the interest on these sums being spent in the meantime on education.

A close study of the arrangements reflected in the Bill will surely strike most people as indicating an extremely happy method of dealing with the Indemnity Funds. From the very beginning it has been Britain's policy to see that the funds were utilised for mutually beneficial purposes, not wholly confined to education. As Mr. Graham, the President of the Board of Trade, has expressed it, the agreement entered into, and now endorsed by Parliament, aims at cementing the friendly relations between Britain and China in a very practical way, by linking up provision for education with railway development. There is nothing in the Bill to which the least objection should be taken, and we are driven to the conclusion that opponents of the measure could not have thoroughly understood its implications. Both Britain and China are to be congratulated on the settlement, whilst Hongkong, whose University funds are to benefit substantially from the arrangement, will feel gratified that at long last the House of Commons has approved of the terms.

## Poppy-Growing in China.

In view of recent Chinese protestations at Geneva, and the refusal of the Nanking Government to permit the League Opium-Smoking Commission to carry out investigations in China, the revelations of our Swatow correspondent regard the growing of the poppy in Eastern Kwangtung are of special interest. More poppy has been grown this season than for years past, and large stocks of opium are being prepared in the raw state. Here and there, action is being taken against the farmers, irresponsible soldiery being sent out apparently with instructions to make an example in one or two cases, and, of course, these instructions have been interpreted in a most shocking manner. The important fact emerges, however, that ninety per cent. of the farmers are being left in peace by the military authorities, while the civil authorities have given lip-service to the official edict and have limited their anti-opium activities to pious expressions of disapproval. The whole thing savours of a colossal farce, except where tragedy has crept in. Nanking may possibly be sincere in its desire to suppress the evil, but it is evident that no effective steps can, or will, be taken, under present conditions. Clearly the farmers in the Swatow area were given to believe that poppy growing would be overlooked. Clearly, also, the military and civil authorities are preparing to reap a financial harvest from the cultivation, while making tragic examples in isolated instances for the benefit perhaps of some higher authority. Similar double-dealing, it is fairly well-known, is going on all over China. A prize might be offered to the first Chinese delegate to an Opium Conference at Geneva who refrains from the matter-of-course argument that China will never be free of the opium-smoking evil while foreign concessions exist in the country. A little truth for a change might do a world of good.

The success which attended the first practice dance of the St. Patrick's Society Ball in the Helena May Institute, on the 12th instant, when over 50 people were present and had a most enjoyable evening, has prompted the Committee to hold further practice dances. The next will be held in the same Institute on Monday, at 8.15 p.m. Those who intend to be present at the Ball are cordially invited to attend.

## DAY BY DAY

TEN MEN UNITED CAN DO MUCH MORE THAN TEN THOUSAND INDIVIDUALS.—Lady Warwick.

Tenders are being invited for the purchase of the Government steam launch "H. O. 1."

His Excellency the Governor has re-appointed the Rev. Fr. George Byrne, D.Ph., to be a Member of the Board of Education for a further period of two years.

It is notified that at the expiration of three months the Jack A. Tai & Company, Limited, will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the register and the company will be dissolved.

The Government is inviting tenders for the demolition of the "Eyre" No. 3 The Peak. The work consists of the demolition of the existing buildings, all materials with certain exceptions to become the property of the contractor.

There was nothing of public interest at the fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday, all the business being of a routine nature. Mr. G. R. Sayer presided at the meeting, which lasted for only a few minutes.

His many friends will be pleased to learn that the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall has made a good recovery from his recent sickness and has left the Canossa Hospital. On his doctor's advice he will take a further fortnight's rest at home.

St. Stephen's College, Stanley, advertise that examinations for new students will be held on Monday, March 2nd. School re-opens on March 3rd. Prospectuses may be obtained from Mr. L. H. Hol-lung, c/o Banker and Co., or from the College.

Work of Hongkong, Shanghai and Canton Chinese will be included in the exhibition of Chinese arts which will open to-day at the Y.M.C.A., Bridges Street. The exhibits, which number more than 1,300, include illustrations of penmanship, paintings, photography and other traditional painting. The exhibition will be open on Sunday and Monday.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, Mr. Butters gave a decision convicting Leung Chieh-shu and Li Kung-hung on the charge of having obtained \$3,500 by means of a trick from a widow, Choi Ngan, on November 13, 1928, and also on an alternative charge of sorcery. They were sentenced to four months' each on the first count and one month each concurrently on the second.

It is notified in the Gazette for general information that the following gentlemen now constitute the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Advisory Committee appointed by His Excellency the Governor under the provisions of the Hongkong General Officer Commanding-in-Chief's Order No. 11, 1928. The General Officer Commanding-in-Chief (Chairman), Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Hon. Mr. J. P. Dray, Mr. J. D. Butcher, Mr. J. D. Danby, Mr. R. M. Dyer, Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, Mr. E. N. Murphy, Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Mr. T. H. R. Shaw and Mr. J. P. Warren.

The health bulletin of Far Eastern Ports for the week ending the 14th inst. shows the following cases of infectious diseases and deaths therefrom: Hongkong, Baseline 1 death, Hongkong 1 case 1 death, Chertson 1 case (Imported), Cholera, Calcutta 27 cases 22 deaths, Madras 5 deaths, Nagapattam 1 death, Chittagong 6 cases 2 deaths, Pondicherry 10 cases 10 deaths, Bunkok 1 case. Smallpox, Calcutta 25 cases 26 deaths, Cooch 19 cases 1 death, Madras 2 cases, Rangoon 2 cases, Shanghai 5 deaths, Greater Shanghai 4 cases 1 death, Canton 2 cases, Kala-Azar, Colombo 6 cases 7 deaths.

ESME SCOTT-HARSTON reflects:

## Life is So Difficult.

Mr. Cotton sat substantially on a green seat facing the esplanade. It was very hot, uncomfortably so, and the pages of his newspaper curled up in defiant exhaustion. He folded it in an uneven bulk, placed it self-consciously on the next seat where he had found it, and lay back to watch the people.

The parade was fairly empty during the luncheon hour, but now and then some strolling beach enthusiast would glance across the turgid receptivity of Mr. Cotton's thoughts, cutting diagonally through the persistent heat. There was the man with the black alpaca coat and spectacles, whose ecstatic expression seemed to advertise the benefits of ozone... a nurse with a perambulator, and the usual air of placid indifference... and then a girl, who brushed past him with swinging hips and mocking eyes. But Mr. Cotton suddenly felt tired. These people bored him.

He worshipped before everything beauty of form... clear cut features... strong, supple limbs. If he had been born in Ancient Greece he might have allied the post of Organiser of Games. But, living in England, what he saw disturbed him.

Take that child playing over there with the telescope. Youth gave it a certain naive charm; but another ten years would emphasise the width of the mouth; the eyes, now bright enough, would become dulled and satisfied; the already plump figure would probably be heavy... impossible.

There were so many people, thought Mr. Cotton, who might just as well be exhibited at a horticultural show, along with leeks and tomatoes and other still life. But the authorities were complacent. So these variant specimens still continued to enliven the minds of the fastidious.

But that young man over there, the tilted Lomburg and anemic iridescent face, on the pinnacle of a bare rock. Let him stand there buffeted by the wind and hearing the waves' sharp murmur far below, and tell him to shout defiance. He couldn't. The wind would irritate him... the nearness of the sea would send a cold shudder down his back... but the irresistible force of it would pass him by. He would feel uncomfortable, and therefore annoyed. Now Theseus might have been outraged, passionate... but not annoyed.

For a moment Mr. Cotton lay back and closed his eyes. When he opened them, a young girl, probably a domestic servant, had sat down beside him. Mr. Cotton looked at her appraisingly out of the corner of his eye. She was attractive enough, a small, appealing face and large brown eyes that looked friendly. But her hat irritated him. Why did she wear that tawdry, drooping feather on the brim. It was unnecessary. Would Antigone...? And then those shoes. Stupid, crepe-soled heels, rather worn at the edge. Simplicity, sighed Mr. Cotton. Leaning over a little to gain a better perspective of the hat, he was amazed to receive a sudden slap on the cheek. "Wot d'yer like me fer, hey?" And she was gone.

Mr. Cotton sighed again. Life was so extraordinary. Some people spent years in research work on the subject that most interested them... chemistry; archaeology; physics; entirely unquestioned. But when that subject happened to be the human figure, direct research seemed to be impossible. It was disappointing. So much might be done, even in post-war civilization. "The Glory that was Greece..."

Slowly, he walked across to the pier, squeezed himself through a turnstile, and wandered idly up to one of the penny-in-the-slot machines. It was a miniature cricket match. With almost ironic amusement, he pressed the lever. The ball shot into a hole, and his penny was returned. Really, this was interesting. Mr. Cotton's face beamed. His penny returned... hal quite a lot of skill in this game. With some excitement, he inserted it again. But the ball trickled mockingly behind the stumps. Stupid thing, breathed Mr. Cotton, rattling the case violently... must have stuck... absolute swindle. He walked away, feeling grossly misused. Anyway, he reflected spitefully, he never seen such narrow shoulders for a bowler... and the batsman's face...

## Are We Near A Radio War?

By HORACE W. ADEY.

THE ether has already been used as a playground by radio pirates. The recent propaganda broadcast from Moscow—although only a factor in radio progress—is in itself some measure of warning of future pitfalls and possibilities; therefore let us take our lesson now.

The time may come when the authorities will have to restrict the public to receiving the usual broadcast programmes on one or two wave-lengths only, the rest of the ether or wave-bands being free for Government use.

If at short notice such restriction became necessary, what steps could be taken to prevent the public from using wave-lengths other than those allotted to them, or to assure the public that the ordinary programme would not be of an irregular nature? Are we prepared for such an emergency? For example, if a rupture occurred between two countries, what is to stop one or the other sending out sensational items of news to create panic?

## A Wireless Barrage.

As present receiving sets are constructed, and the approximate number in the British Isles is one to every two homes, the owner is able to receive stations over a very broad wave-band. Therefore, in the absence of an approved aerial tuning system, in case of urgent need the public might be deprived of the entire use of radio for an unlimited time unless a scheme were devised to give the authorities some measure of control over each receiving set by definitely calibrating the aerial tuners to one or two wave-lengths by a locking device, under seal, which could be removed in normal times. This is not in itself a very difficult matter; in fact, it is already known to British radio science.

For example, the aerial tuning condenser of future radio sets could have fitted to the spindle of the moving vanes disc with oval shaped holes closely arranged in rotation on the circular part of the disc, such disc and condenser to be mounted in the receiving set in such a way that it would be inaccessible except from the exterior mounting for tuning purposes. There would be a small hole through the panel to permit the insertion of a pin or bolt for the purpose of engaging one of the slots of the disc to complete the locking device.

The pin would be made so that it could be readily secured under seal and permit easy inspection. The oval-shaped hole in the disc, after the pin had been inserted, would permit sufficient movement for fine tuning, also allow for any capacity effect or damping after it had been calibrated or locked to definite wave-length. With such a device the owner of a set would be restricted only in cases of emergency.

One wonders what is going to be the ultimate result of all these powerful broadcast stations that are springing up. Our geographical position gives us some advantage. Nevertheless, we must carry out experiments to provide a suitable barrage.



"Now listen here, young fellow—your contract says you'll eat oatmeal or anything else we say..."



## WIFE'S LETTER TO A JUDGE.

## FRIENDSHIP WITH BARONET OF 74.

A letter said to have been written by a young wife to Mr. Justice Bateson, one of the Divorce Court judges, was read at the Old Bailey recently.

Harold Gladwyn Grayson (26), estate agent, who brought an action for divorce in which Sir Guy Sebright, a 74-year-old baronet, of Markyate, near Dunstable, was cited as co-respondent, was charged with—

Contriving and intending to deceive the Divorce Court and influence it to arrive at an unjust decision, and with perjury in an affidavit connected with his petition.

## "Charming Manner."

The letter which Mrs. Grayson is alleged to have sent to Mr. Justice Bateson was read by Mr. Martin O'Connor (for the defence). Mrs. Grayson said she had always denied committing misconduct with Sir Guy Sebright. The letter continued:

"No doubt I have been foolish in my friendships with Sir Guy Sebright, but I was only 20. Sir Guy was a man with a wide experience of life and a most charming manner, and although he was a rich man the amount he spent on me was comparatively trifling."

Mr. Percival Clarke, prosecuting, said that on Oct. 26, 1928, Grayson filed a petition for divorce from his wife on the ground of her misconduct with Sir Guy Sebright. He claimed £5,000 damages.

The effect of his evidence was to persuade the jury that his home and future had been absolutely ruined by the co-respondent, and they assessed damages at £500.

The King's Proctor made inquiries, and ultimately the decision was reversed.

## Through Bathroom.

After the marriage, continued counsel, Mr. and Mrs. Grayson lived at various addresses. When they went to Manchester-street, Mrs. Grayson became tenant of a flat.

"When this enamoured old gentleman came, they furnished the flat thoroughly, even to pictures. Sir Guy paid for it."

"He expected some return, so he was given a latchkey and allowed to come and go as he liked."

Florence Bennett, of East-street, Baker-street, said that while she was working for Mrs. Grayson at the flat in Manchester-street, Grayson lived there with his wife.

Sir Guy Sebright came occasionally at first, and then almost daily.

"When he rang up to say he was coming we all had to get busy," said Mrs. Bennett. "Grayson's clothes were taken away so that there was no indication of his living there."

The trial was adjourned.

## STORES' LIBEL ACTION.

## JUDGES ON "EMBARRASSING" DEFENCE.

The hearing was concluded in the Court of Appeal, composed of Lords Justices Scrutton, Greer and Slesser, of the appeals against an order of the Judge in Chambers concerning the defence delivered by Mr. Mark Godfrey in an action brought against him, the Financial Telegraph, Limited, Mr. Donald Kennedy, and Mr. Ernest Godfrey Flowering by Selfridge Provincial Stores, Limited, for damages for alleged libel.

It was stated that Mr. Godfrey, although he denied that he knew anything about the publication of the alleged libellous statements, had delivered a defence in which he pleaded justification to certain parts, but not all, of the statements. He complained that the Judge in Chambers had ordered that he could not sever the alleged libels, and must justify the whole. Selfridge Provincial Stores, Limited, appealed. Provincial Stores, Limited, appealed on the ground that the Judge should have struck out Mr. Godfrey's defence altogether.

Mr. Croom-Johnson, K.C., and Mr. T. F. Davis (instructed by Messrs. S. Myers and Sons) were for Mr. Godfrey; Mr. Valentine Holmes (instructed by Messrs. Guedalla, Jacobson and Spyer) represented Selfridge Provincial Stores, Limited.

Lord Justice Scrutton said that the Court was of the opinion that the decision that the present defence was put forward—so far as justification was concerned—was embarrassing, was the correct one. Mr. Godfrey would have to consider what he would do with regard to the amendment of his defence to bring it into line with the decision of the Court.

Justices Greer and Slesser concurred.

## THE VOLUNTEERS.

## THE WEEK'S ROUTINE PARADES.

No. 8/31. Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps. Orders by Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., C.B.E., Commanding Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Friday, Feb. 20.

## Parades.

(a). Corps Band.  
1. There will be a practice at Headquarters on Monday, 23rd. February at 5.30 p.m., sharp.  
2. Corps Band Miniature Rifle Club.—There will be a meeting of the Club at the Miniature Rifle Range on Wednesday, the 26th. February at 5.30 p.m.

(b). Battery.  
1. Layers are detailed will parade at Gun Club Hill at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, February 26th.  
2. Remains parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, February 26th, for map reading.

(c). Engineer Company.  
1. Monday, February 23rd. Miniature Rifle Range shoot at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.

2. There will be D.L. training at Wellington Barracks on Thursday, 26th. February at 5.30 p.m.

(d). Corps Signals.  
Parades will be held at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 24th. February and Friday, 27th. February.

(e). Machine Gun Troop.  
Details will be issued later to each member individually by O.C. Troop.

(f). Armoured Car Company.  
1. Car Section. Parade on Monday, 23rd. February at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for driving instruction and crew drill.

2. Motor Cycle Section. Parade on Monday, 23rd. February at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for driving instruction and crew drill.

(g). Machine Gun Company.  
The Company will parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, 26th. February and at the normal drill and map reading on Friday, 27th. February at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 24th. February.

(h). Scottish Company.  
1. Parade. Thursday, 26th. February for arms drill.

No. 7 Platoon at Headquarters 5.30 p.m. under Lieut. J. R. Forsyth.

No. 6 Platoon at Kowloon Dock under Lieut. G. Duncan, M.B.E.

Belts and sidearms will be worn.

2. Machinery. Stonecutters' Range has been allotted to the Company on 28th. March, 1931. Details of practice will be issued later.

(i). Portuguese Company.  
1. Parade. The Company will parade as strong as possible at Headquarters on Friday, February 27th, at 5.30 p.m. Practice for G.O.C.'s inspection.

Every one of the Company will be expected to attend all parades until after the G.O.C.'s inspection.

2. Post Range. The Post Range has been allotted to No. 12A Platoon on Sunday, February 22nd.

Firing will commence at 9 a.m., sharp.

Dr. J. C. O'Connell, but dress must be decently either Civilian or Khaki with belt, Pouches, Rifles & Bayonets. Range Officer—Lieut. H. J. Silva.

## Band President.

Captain R. R. Davies will temporarily take over the duties of Band President from 2nd. Lieut. D. L. Strellett on proceeding on leave.

Handing Over and Taking Over Certificate will be forwarded to the Adjutant as soon as possible.

## Marksmen, M.G.

No. 1096 Dmr. H. B. Major, No. 6 Platoon has qualified as marksmen and is entitled to wear the badge for one year.

## Transfer.

No. 1496 Pte. A. J. R. Wolf, No. 4 Platoon, is transferred to Machine Gun Troop with effect from 20. 2. 31.

## Strength.

The following has been taken on Corps Strength—

Pte. C. M. da Silva, Netherlands Trading Society, No. 12A Platoon.

## Leave.

No. 845 Pte. C. H. Douglas, Reserve Company, returned from leave on 9. 2. 31.

2nd. Lieut. D. L. Strellett, No. 3 Platoon, granted leave from 1. 3. 31 to 31. 12. 31.

No. 1331 Pte. K. H. Batger, No. 3 Platoon, granted sick leave, from 30. 11. 30 to 31. 1. 31.

## SUGAR MARKET.

## THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar markets yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pen-treath and Co.

## London Terminals.

March 5/10½ down ½d.  
May 6/2 down ½d.  
August 6/5 down ½d.  
December 6/9 down ½d.

## New York Terminals.

March 1.20 up 1 pt.  
May 1.30 up 1 pt.  
July 1.38 no change.  
September 1.46 up 1 pt.  
December 1.54 up 1 pt.

Liverpool 20/2/31.—According to advices from New York, Cuba production of sugar up to 15th February 970,000 tons as compared with 1,140,000 tons last year.

## WEATHER FORECAST.

The local weather forecast till noon to-morrow is: North-east winds, moderate; generally overcast some drizzle or mist.

## EVANGELIST IN SHANGHAI.

## AIMEE SEMPLE McPHERSON PASSING THROUGH.

Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson, the well-known Pacific Coast evangelist, arrived in Shanghai accompanied by her daughter, Miss Roberta Semple, and registered at the Cathay Hotel. Mrs. McPherson, who is in poor health, proved a difficult person to find after landing from the Dollar str.

President Wilson. She was finally traced to a shop where she was buying linen, where her golden red hair gave her identity away to searching reporters. Mrs. Semple endeavoured to head off the interviewers.

"You know mother hates the sight of reporters," she said, "they've all said such cruel things about her, and she has had a nervous breakdown and mustn't be upset. I'll answer your questions."

Miss Semple, a beautiful girl of twenty years, stated that her mother would probably make no public appearance while in Shanghai. "She has been so sick, you know, and is living on saline solution."

Her missionary representation, Mrs. E. Lawler, and Miss E. Lawler, met her at the boat however, and it is possible that the visiting evangelist will preach informally at a missionary gathering before she leaves for Hongkong where her daughter was born twenty years ago, a month after her husband's death there. Mr. Semple was a missionary. If the Hongkong weather agrees with Mrs. McPherson's delicate health, she will probably visit there for some time before going on to Manila and thence to India. Shanghai's climate is much too strenuous to permit her lingering for long here and she will sail in a few days.

## In a Nervous State.

After solemnly promising Miss Semple that they would not frighten or annoy her mother a group of press representatives were allowed to have a brief glimpse of her. Although obviously under a severe strain, her mouth twitching and her hands trembling, Mrs. McPherson is a strikingly good looking woman. She was dressed in a dyed crimson coat and a little chiffon velvet cap almost the exact colour of her hair. She is quite tall and very slender. She spoke but a few words to her visitors, including the dubious compliment that they were rather nicer than the general trend of reporters, before it became obvious that tears were not far in the offing. With a discerning glance her daughter-in-law motioned her interviewers to be off, which in the circumstances was the only course to take.

In spite of Mrs. McPherson's nervous condition and her stated desire to stay out of the public eye, she telephoned to the Fox Film and asked to have a talking picture made of her while she is in Shanghai. Although the Fox Company has not the necessary equipment to make such a film it is understood that another local film company will do so.

## A TRAWLER'S ESCAPE.

## WITH TWO GUARDS ON BOARD.

Jan. 23.  
Skippers of eight British trawlers, six of them from Hull and Grimsby, appeared in court today after having their vessels seized by Icelandic fishery patrols, on charges of fishing irregularities in Icelandic waters.

A ninth trawler is reported by the authorities here to have escaped from the Icelandic patrol after two guards from the patrol boat had been placed on board, putting to sea with the two guards still aboard.

Six of the eight captured trawlers, which were seized while lying at anchor off Dyrafjord yesterday and taken to Patreksfjord, were the Galtvinn and Faraday, of Hull, and the Elf King, Carfax, Lord Beaconsfield and Vambers, all of Grimsby.

## The Trial.

The trawler alleged to have fled is also a Grimsby ship.

The trial of the skippers of the captured trawlers on charges of "illegal order of fishing gear" has not yet been completed.—British United Press.

The following are the particulars of some of the seized trawlers as given in Lloyd's Register of Shipping:

Faraday (322 tons), owned by F. and T. Ross, and registered at Hull; Elf King (289 tons), owned by the Grant and Baker Steam Fishing Co., Ltd., and registered at Grimsby.

Lord Beaconsfield (302 tons), owned by Consolidated Fisheries Ltd. (J. G. Crampin, manager), and registered at Grimsby; and Vambers (316 tons), owned by the Atlas Steam Fishing Co. (Letten Brothers, managers), registered at Grimsby.

## CINEMA NOTES.

## HOISERY MODELS IN NEW FOX FILM.

Superlative entertainment is offered by "The Golden Call," Fox Movietone comedy with music, which is showing at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow.

Tuneful melodies, 100 beautiful dancers, a romantic story with plenty of comedy and an all-star cast of principals guarantee this latest product of the Fox Studios an entertainment that will appeal to all classes.

The story is laid in Greenwich Village. Jack Mulhall is an advertising artist in search of a model with perfect legs to pose for a hoisery advertisement, which is to bring him fame and fortune. Sue Carol, soon at first as his prim, old-maiden secretary, discovers she has the perfect measurements but that she must transform herself into a beautiful, dashing model with loads of "it" before she can convince Mulhall of her good qualities. He is completely deceived by the metamorphosis in his erstwhile prim secretary, who he does not discover she is the beautiful model until just before the final doct.

Millard Webb directed this production, the cast of which includes El Brendel, Marjory White, Richard Keene and Paul Page.

"Way Out West" Jovial Comedy.

William Haines, star and Fred Niblo, director, have dished up a delectable concoction of laughs, thrills and romance in "Way Out West," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's comic romance now playing at the Queen's Theatre.

As a cowboy Haines is irresistibly funny, and still is able to stage a few thrills. His horsemanship is a surprise, for just as in the case of his football, polo and other athletic activities of the screen, he made himself very expert in the art of the Western saddle. His riding measures right along with that of Buddy Roosevelt, Jay Wiley and Jack Pennick, who have been Western riders for some years.

Lella Hyams appears as the girl boss of the ranch, and she and Haines fall in love. A jealous rival precipitates a trouble. Haines plays a circus Barker who loses his money and joins a ranch crew. His initiation into the duties of a cowboy is a comedy in itself for a great many laughs.

Cliff Edwards as the comedy cowboy with the ukulele, and Polly Moran as the ranch cook add considerable hilarity to the picture in their scenes together, and Francis X. Bushman, Jr., appears as the hero's rival. Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer gave the picture an elaborate production, including the elaborate scenes, with real side show performers headed by Vera Marsh, musical comedy dancer.

"The Big Pond."

In "The Big Pond," now showing at the Central Theatre Maurice Chevalier becomes thoroughly "Americanized." His earlier films showed the former favourite of the Paris Folies Bergere in the characterizations of a music hall singer and of an ambassador extraordinaire in a mythical kingdom, but "The Big Pond" shows him as an enterprising "big show" in a chewing gum factory. And nothing could be more American than that.

"The Big Pond" is based on a Broadway play of last season by George Middleton and A. E. Thomas. The story deals with a young Frenchman who is employed as a guide for Americans touring in the States. Through the influence of some tourists he is brought to America to take a position in a chewing gum factory. He starts at the bottom and gains prestige in the business through his novel ideas about advertising. He writes successful songs which exploit the company's product. Before long he is a power in the industry, and an ace in the regard of his sweetheart, played by Claudette Colbert, the lady of "The Lady Lies" fame.

"The Big Pond" was produced at the Paramount Long Island Studio, under the direction of Hobart Henley, who directed "The Lady Lies" and "Roundhouse Nights." In addition to Miss Colbert the supporting cast includes George Barbrie, Elaine Keoh, Frank Lyon, Marion Ballou, Andre Corday and Nat Pendleton.

"True to the Navy."

The passing of the American flapper is signified by the disappearance of the most characteristic thing her reign—the "flapper" bob. Even China Bow, queen of the sisterhood, is permitting her flaming red hair to grow.

Now the Bow coiffure is more vivid than ever, there is more of it. The red hair is now shoulder length and Miss Bow wears it free, letting it blow about where it will. The Bow headress will be seen in her latest picture, "True to the Navy," which will show at the Central Theatre next change.

"King of Jazz."

A slice of musical comedy, with a part of Central Park, New York, produced as the setting, is afforded by the "Bench in the Park" number of Universal's super-extravaganza, "King of Jazz," which comes to the Central Theatre soon. The number is cleverly built, and introduces the latest song hit, "A Bench in the Park," written especially for the all-around and technicolor production by Milton Ager and Jack Yellen.

Paul Whitteman and his entire orchestra, as well as some of the world's best known jazz band, Clever comedy gags have been worked out for them by John Murray Anderson, who came from the New York musical comedy stage especially to direct the Whitteman spectacle.

Besides the "Rajah of Rhythm" and his band, such nationally known stage and screen celebrities as Jeanette Loff, Stanley Smith, William Kent, the Box Sisters, The Rhythm Trio, the Russ Mackport Dancers, and the Hollywood Beauties, appear in this number.

## CLERGY AND FAITH HEALING.

## ARCHBISHOP TO BE PETITIONED.

Faith healing, including the rites of anointing and the laying on of hands, was discussed in the Lower House of Convocation of Canterbury.

A resolution moved by Proben-dary C. Harris, of South Leigh, Oxfordshire, asked the House to appoint a joint committee to draw up a provisional service for Union and Imposition of Hands until a permanent and authorised form could be issued.

It was urged that the primitive rites of anointing and laying hands upon the sick with a view to spiritual benefit and bodily healing were in extensive use, for the most part with full Episcopal approval.

The Rev. T. F. Monahan (Worcester) said they could not lose sight of the fact that a great deal of so-called faith healing was really due to natural causes.

## "Fantastic Theory."

"That is why we see so many cures from what is called Christian Science," he continued.

"I do not suppose there is any more fantastic theory than that on which Christian Science is founded—the theory that matter and the body do not exist and that therefore pain cannot exist—and yet I suppose there has not been any faith healing which has been so successful in many cases as what is called Christian Science."

Canon King said that they should emphasise the healing of the body. They were hoping to move the Bishop to give them some form, some set office, for the particular work of laying on of hands and of union.

"It is positively heart-breaking," he added, "to feel that there is this tremendous power locked up in the Church which cannot be brought into general use unless we get some official recognition in the form of an office."

## "Mediæval."

"It seems a strange thing that there is opposition not only within our own body, but there is a tremendously powerful opposition in the medical profession."

"Every doctor I have spoken to simply points his finger. Some people seem to think that the idea is mediæval, and that everything mediæval is wrong."

The resolution was carried.

## SHARE PRICES.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.  
Hongkong Bank, \$2200 n.  
Chartered Bank, \$16½ n.  
Mercantile A. & B., \$23½ n.  
East Asia \$122 b.

Insurance.  
Canton Ins., \$1310 n.  
Union Ins., \$645 n.  
North China Ins., Tls. 160 b.  
China Underwriters, \$3.60 b.  
Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.  
China Fines, \$525 b.  
H. K. Fire Ins., \$1310 n.

Shipping.  
Douglases, \$28½ s.  
H. K. Steamboats, \$27 s.  
Indo-China, (Def.) \$30 n.  
Union Waterboats, \$37 s.

Mining.  
Benguets, \$10½ b.  
Kailans, \$4/9 b.  
Nial Explorations, Tls. 2½ n.  
Raub, \$40½ b.

Docks, etc.  
Kowloon Wharves, \$17½ b.  
Whampoa Docks, \$30½ b.  
South China Motors \$10 n.  
China Providents, \$5.35 b. (old).  
Hongkows, Tls. 274 b.  
New Engineers, Tls. 6½ b.  
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 110 b.

Cottons.  
Ewo Cotton, Tls. 16.50 b.  
Shai Cotton, Tls. 108 (old) b.

Land, Hotels, etc.  
H. and S. Hotels, \$13 b.  
H. K. Land, \$85 b.  
Shai Land Tls. 392 b.  
Humphreys, \$17.50 sa.  
Realities, \$9.60 b.

Public Utilities.  
Tramways, \$17.50 b.  
Peak Trams, (old) \$14½ n.  
Star Ferries, \$90½ sa.  
China Lights, (old) \$25.40 b.  
H. K. Electric, \$80½ s.  
Telephones, \$42 b.  
China Buses, Tls. 19 n.  
Singapore Tractors, 6/8 s.

Industrials.  
China Sugars, 80 cts. n.  
Malabons, \$35 b.  
Canton Ices, \$3.60 n.  
Cements (Comb) \$17.10 s.  
Ropes, \$14 sa.  
Venz: Goldfields \$3.60 b.

Stores, etc.  
Dairy Farms, \$26.20 b.  
Watson, \$13.10 b.  
Der A. Wings, \$1 n.  
Lane Crawlford, \$4 n.  
Mackintosh, \$20 b.  
Sincere, \$13½ n.

Miscellaneous.  
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On Saturday, 28th February the first race will be run at 1.30 p.m., and on all other days at 11.30 a.m. On the first day the first bell will be rung at 1 p.m. and on the other four days at 11 a.m.

### MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.

Members are reminded that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed. No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively), are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for all chits, &c.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$4.00 per day including tax for all persons, including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax. Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, &c. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hongkong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

### SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. Linehead and Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes.

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By Order,

C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

### SERVICES SOCCER.

#### NAVY DEFEAT ARMY IN ANNUAL MATCH.

At Sookunpoo, yesterday, the annual Services match was played, the Navy winning by a last minute goal to nil. The Commodore, Capt. A. H. Walker, R.N., Colonel Saville and Colonel Cousens were among the officers present.

Q.M.S. H. Scott, R.E., lined up the teams as under:

R. Navy.—Aitken; Robertson and Ward; Hobbs, Tilley and Stephenson; Tigwell, Rush, Peacock, Dickinson and Skinner.  
Army.—Penny; Mullane and Williams; Sands, Hay and Yoman; Sansom, Wylie, Loudon, McQuade and Davies.

The Navy opened strongly and Penny cleared. Loudon got through the Navy defence but handled. The Army forced a corner which was fruitless. From a pass by Tigwell, Peacock tested Penny. End to end play was the order, the Navy having the better of the exchanges in the field. Shooting was wild on both sides. The Army left sent over a dropping shot and the ball landed on the bar and bounced out of play. Sansom sent over from the line and Loudon headed into Aitken's hands. The Navy then found the mark better but Penny was good in goal and stopped shots from Peacock, Skinner and Rush in quick succession. The first half was blank.

The Army played up better during the second half and Aitken was busy for a time. Three corners in succession fell to the Army. Sansom following by ballooning over the bar.

The Navy were down the Army attack and transferred, Dickinson going close with a fast ground shot. Penny did well to stop a drive from Peacock from the penalty line. Wylie after rounding Ward and with an open goal, cleared the bar with a terrific shot. Tilley sent in and Tigwell shot from six yards but Penny charged down the shot, the ball rebounding for a corner.

Penny fisted out a shot from Skinner, but before he could recover Dickinson returned with a fast grounder and the ball entered the net with Penny making a frantic effort to turn it out. It was a good goal for Dickinson, but the Army were unlucky in losing the game practically in the last minute.

## TENNIS EXHIBITION MATCHES.

### JAPANESE STARS SHINE AGAINST LOCALS.

It was a happy thought of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association to invite the two Satos, Japan's premier tennis players, to take part in exhibition matches during their 24 hours' stay in Hongkong yesterday, and happier still was the hearty acceptance of the request, for the appearance of these doughty opponents gave Hongkong the opportunity of witnessing some of the best tennis seen for many years in the Colony.

Throughout the two and a half hours' play, the crowd were kept on their tip-toes, almost bewildered by the dazzling speed of the rallies, the veratility of the players, and the exceptionally high standard of tennis set. The Satos fully maintained their reputation and there was not a person present, who was not impressed by their strength and ability to represent Japan in her struggles for international honours.

The local representatives were also on best form, though the most attractive match was that between Jiro Sato and Khoo Hoo-hye, the latter effecting a particularly gallant recovery after a poor start. Speed, combined with accuracy, variety of stroke, and court technique, were the features of this contest. Khoo suffered from lack of stamina, but the manner in which he combated this disability to keep Sato fighting for winning points right up to the close, was an appealing phase of this great game.

Honda lost in straight sets to H. Sato, though he did not deserve to. Sato displayed a weak link in his chain of a attack by an erratic service, and experienced a little difficulty in timing the speed of the ball from the turf. His game, consequently, tended to slow down below the normal, but sufficient was seen of him to prove that he is a player of class, and, under conditions more suitable to him, would be a difficult to defeat.

The doubles match between the Rumjahn cousins and the visiting pair fully realised expectations. The Satos seemed to touch some of their best form, and, in beating the locals in their favourite and strongest phase of the game, won easily in straight sets. The feature of the winners' play was the unbroken serving of H. Sato, the remarkable overhead work of Jiro, and the fierceness of their close volleying. One H. D. Rumjahn was able to combat this with any degree of confidence or success, his

## GREYHOUND RACING FOR MACAO.

### LICENCE GRANTED TO OPEN A COMPANY.

Macao, Feb. 19.  
Macao is soon to have greyhound racing, for a special licence has been granted to Mr. W. L. Gorrard, of Shanghai, for a company to carry on this business here. For some time past there has been talk of the beginning of the project, but it was not until to-day that a formal licence was issued to Mr. Gorrard, who proposes to commence the races in less than three months' time.

A suitable piece of land has been leased from the Government almost 500,000 sq. ft. in area. It is situated close to Green Island and not far from the Macao race course, and is stated to be the only land left in Macao which can be utilized for dog racing.

It is understood that a certain portion of the capital may be subscribed locally, though the most part of the funds required will come from Shanghai. It is not yet known what the exact sum will be.

The promoters have every faith in the success of the venture.—Our Own Correspondent.

partner being all at sea with the seed of the exchanges.

The afternoon's results were: H. Sato beat T. Honda, 9-7, 6-3. J. Sato beat Khoo Hoo-hye, 6-3, 5-7, 6-4.

Satos beat Rumjahn, 6-3, 6-4.

Players Entertained.

At the South China Restaurant last night, the visitors were entertained to dinner, following upon which Mr. C. P. F. James, Hon. Secretary of the L.T.A., extended a welcome to them, and expressed the thanks of the Association and the public of Hongkong for the magnificent display they had given during the afternoon. He mentioned that the appearance of Japanese players on local courts was always featured by the excellence of their tennis and off the courts.

Mr. H. Sato briefly responded and spoke of the valuable practice the afternoon's tennis had afforded them.

To-morrow's Matches.

Further exhibitions will be given last night, the K.C.C. to-morrow when Shimura and Yamagishi, two of the best known players in Japan, who have just arrived in Hongkong after taking part in the Manila Festival games, will meet Khoo Hoo-hye, Paul Kong and T. Honda in a series of singles and doubles matches. The event should provide an enjoyable and attractive afternoon of entertainment.

## SHAMEEN FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

### H.M.S. TARANTULA SECURE FIRST PLACE.

Shameen, Feb. 20.  
By defeating H.M.S. Moth in the last League match of the season yesterday H.M.S. Tarantula secure first place in the League with a lead of one point. Both teams fielded a somewhat weakened side, Tula being without Bagshaw in goal, and Moth being without Lieut. Short in the attack.

Dowey winning the toss, for Moth lined up his side in the western half of the field. From the kick-off it was evident that the Tarantula attack were the stronger. They played with understanding and combined well with accurate passes to the wings. They were also ably supported by the half-backs whose placing was a large factor in their successful attacks. The Moth attack was unconvincing, badly lacking in combination as a unit although there was good play individually, their supporting line was weak and too much given to dallying with the ball instead of feeding their wings. Tarantula completely dominated throughout the first half, scoring three goals to one.

The second half was more evenly contested, Moth making every effort to even up the score, without success. Some ten minutes from the final whistle, Tarantula's centre-half beat the Moth goalie with a beautiful shot from 25 yards out, this being the only score in the second half. Final score:—Tarantula, 4 goals; Moth, 1 goal.

The teams lined up under Mr. P. Younghusband were:—

Tarantula.—Carroll; Perkins, Leeds; Evans, Webb, Talbot; Lieut. Cobb, Connon, Munnering, Allen, Tubb.

Moth.—Cleverley; Dewey, Nunn; Swainson, Denstone, Shawyer; Morey, Biles, Prind, Beckett, Hodgkinson.

The completed League table reads as follows:—

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Tarantula	10	6	2	2	23	13	14
Seamew	10	5	3	2	22	13	13
Mothers	10	6	1	3	20	14	13
Moth	10	4	2	4	18	20	10
Cicala	10	3	0	7	11	20	6
Shameen S.C.	10	1	2	7	15	26	4

—Our Own Correspondent.

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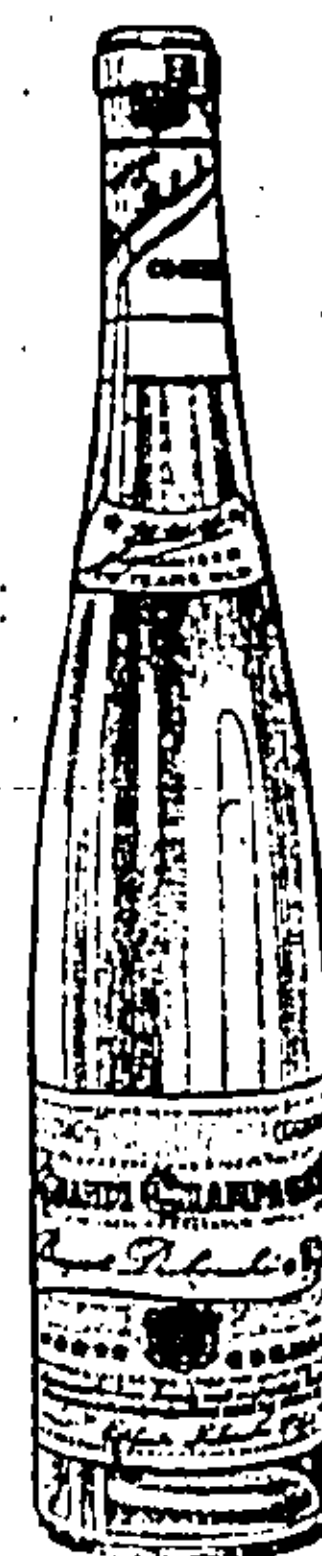
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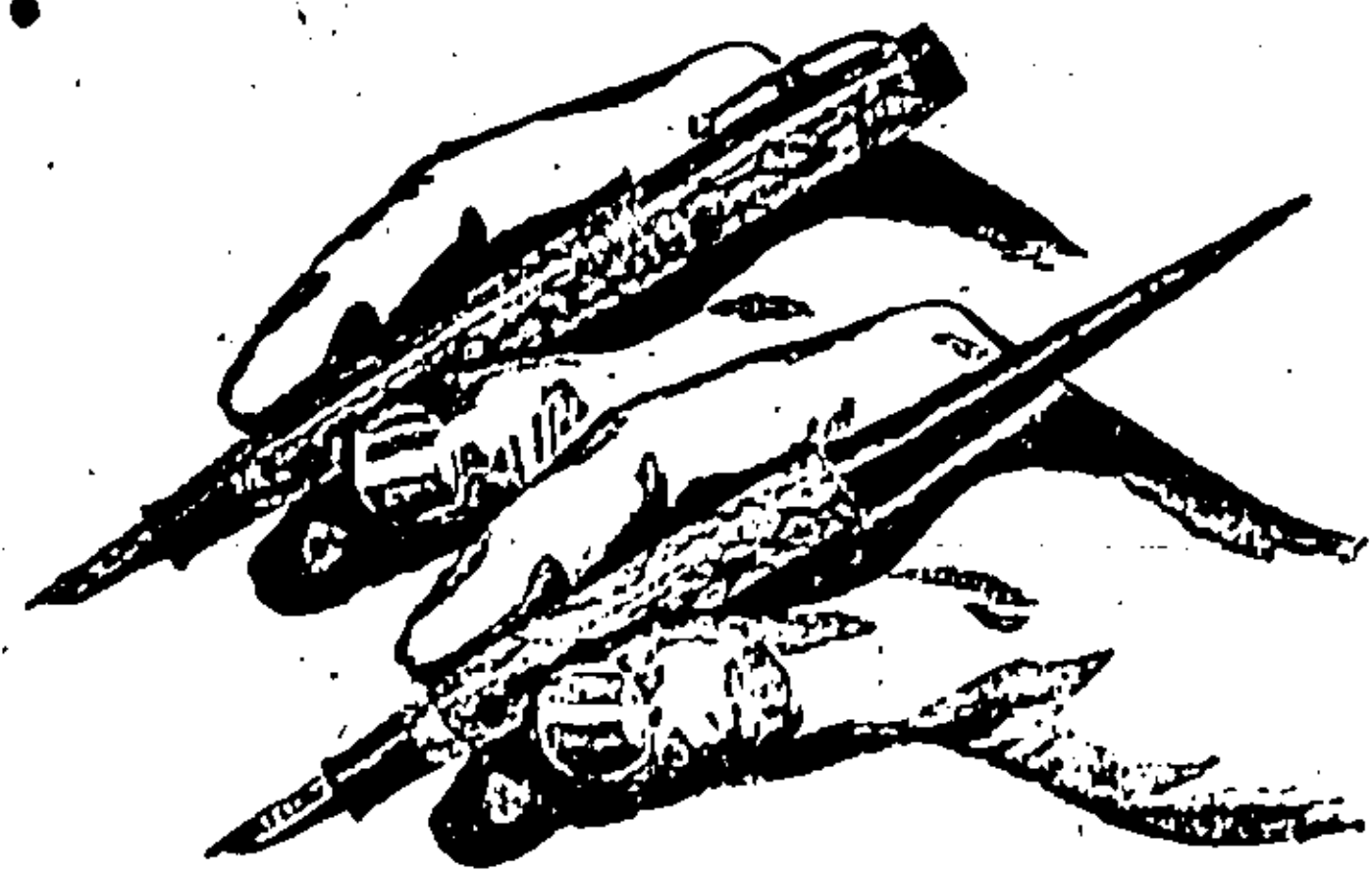
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**"SABOTAGE" IN  
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**TROUBLES OF THE  
SOVIET MACHINE.**

**TREACHERY—OR  
BUNGLING?**

Among the features of Russian life which are sometimes referred to as difficulties of growth, or "growing pain," the prevalence of so-called "vreditelstvo," or sabotage, is certainly one of the most striking. Since the spectacular trial of the accused leaders of the "Industrial Party" in Moscow at least a score of such cases, sometimes widely differing in character, but all covered by the comprehensive term "vreditelstvo," and all indicating an unsatisfactory functioning of some cog in the Soviet economic machine, have been reported from various parts of the country.

So two employees of the Ridder co-operative in Kazan were sentenced to death and fourteen to various terms of imprisonment for "breaking up the supply of the workers." Eighty-five employees of the Moscow co-operative stores were arrested on charges of speculating with food products under their charge, and two of these were sentenced to be shot, while many of the others received prison sentences. An Ukrainian station-master, Kolomietz, was sentenced to death for "counter-revolutionary sabotage," because he let through a passenger train on the wrong track, with the result that a disastrous collision occurred. A bad day's work on the south-eastern railroads was described in the following terms in a despatch from Voronezh:—

The work of the class enemy in transportation reached such a point that on one day occurred four wrecks, a hundred and three goods vans were smashed and five valuable engines were put out of commission.

The Volzhinsk Factory.

In Chelabinsk a locksmith named Kunnay was accused of plotting to blow up a local leather factory and in Biisk, in Siberia, two managers of a dairy were dubbed saboteurs and sentenced to five and two years of imprisonment for letting two hundred tons of butter spoil. A gloomy report from the Volzhinsk factory, in the Ural region, begins with the statement that the plant is suffocating "from the poison of class enemies" and continues:—

The factory from month to month doesn't fill out its programme, and continues to groan from loafers and saboteurs. Stoppages, accidents, breakages, and

the output of spoiled goods do not diminish.

It is obviously difficult to establish what measure of truth there may be in this flood of charges, pouring in from all sections of the country. It is, however, evident that the original meaning of "vreditelstvo"—namely, a deliberate effort to wreck from within some State economic enterprise—has been considerably broadened, so that it may cover almost any manifestation of sheer incompetence or bureaucracy. In some of the cases which were cited there was not even any effort to prove that the persons accused were animated by any clearly conceived design or undermining the political foundations of the Soviet State.

A Professor's Complaint.

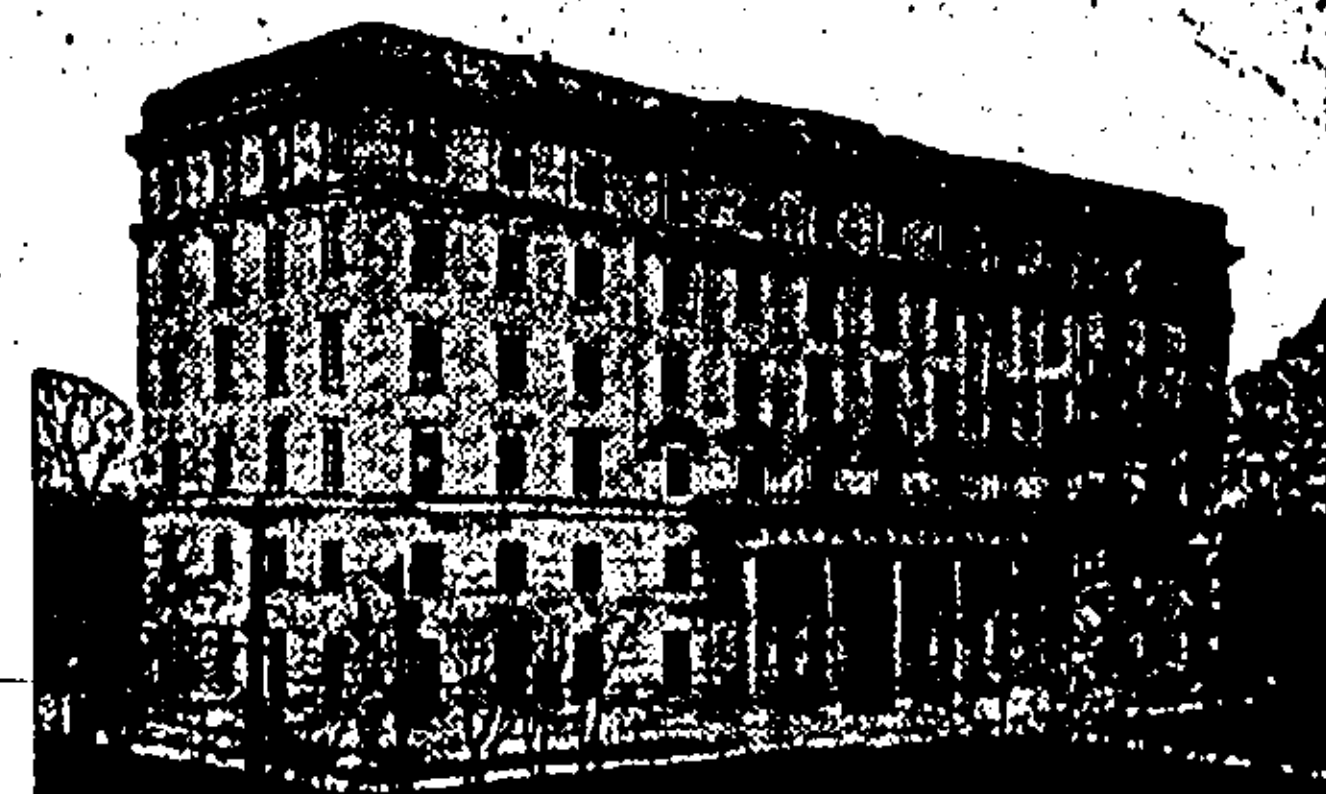
Sabotage is an elusive offence, because it is easy to suspect, but difficult to prove. In the Shacht case, where some of the defendants professed innocence, the court was obliged to listen to complicated technical arguments about what machines would produce the best effect on a given seam of coal. Obviously one often needs engineering as well as police training to determine when, how, and if a genuine act of sabotage has been committed. A quite innocent man, especially if he had the wrong kind of class antecedents, might be exposed to gravely unjust suspicions if "causes over which he had no control made his work turn out badly."

If sabotage in general is an easy charge to raise, "ideological sabotage" is the easiest and vaguest of all accusations. Such a case was reported from an institute in Kazan, where a Professor Tushnov was accused of having said that every student abroad has his own microscope and other equipment, a situation which does not exist in the Soviet Union, and that "some who come to study can't even handle an oil-stove." The Kazan proletarian students raised the cry "ideological sabotage," and "Izvestia" characterised Tushnov's statement as "direct solidarity with those who, in the name of saving capitalism and its 'culture,' strive to destroy the sole proletarian state in the world."

All in all sabotage, real and suspected, industrial and "ideological," may be considered one of the overhead costs of the Five Year Plan.



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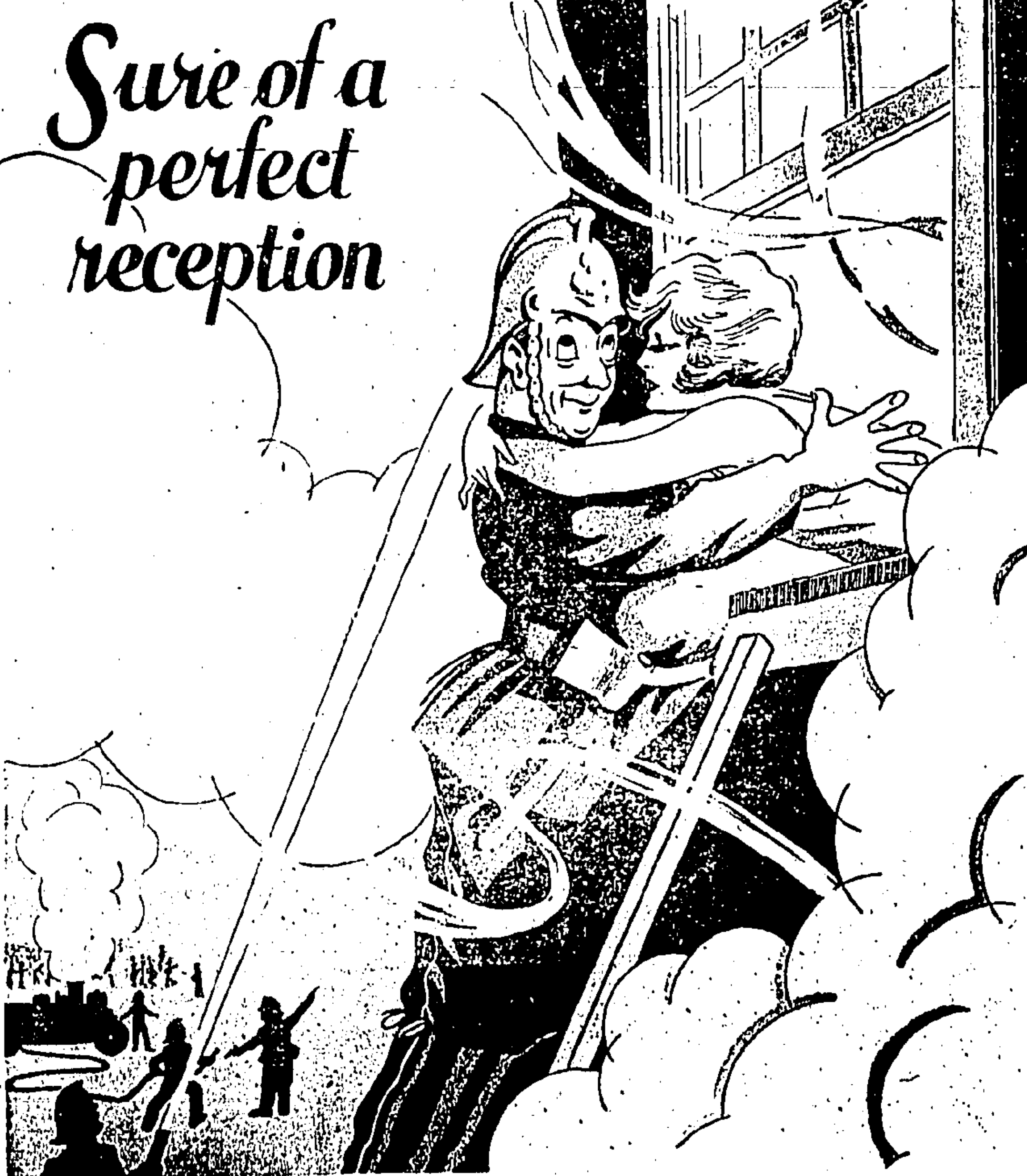
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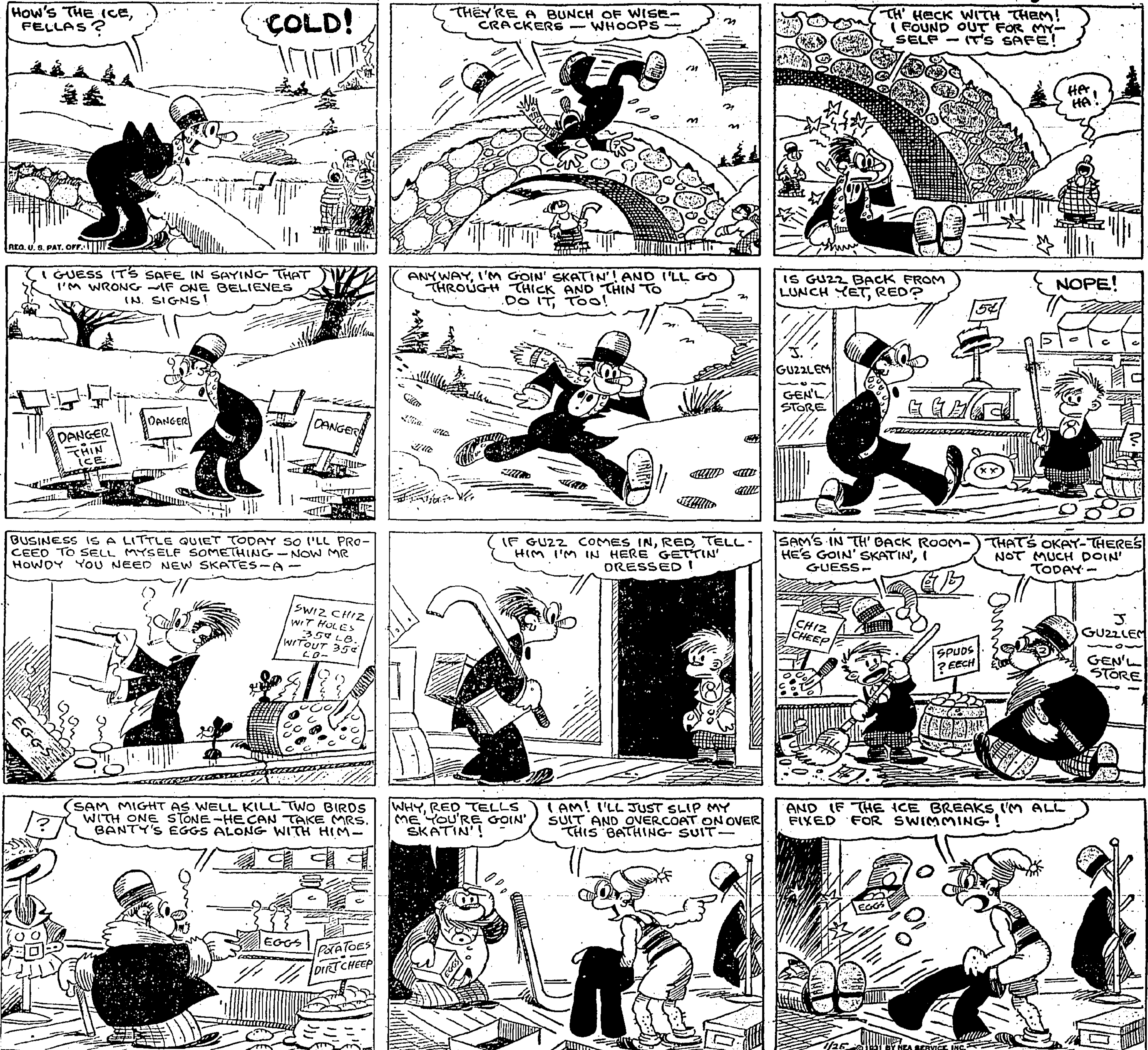
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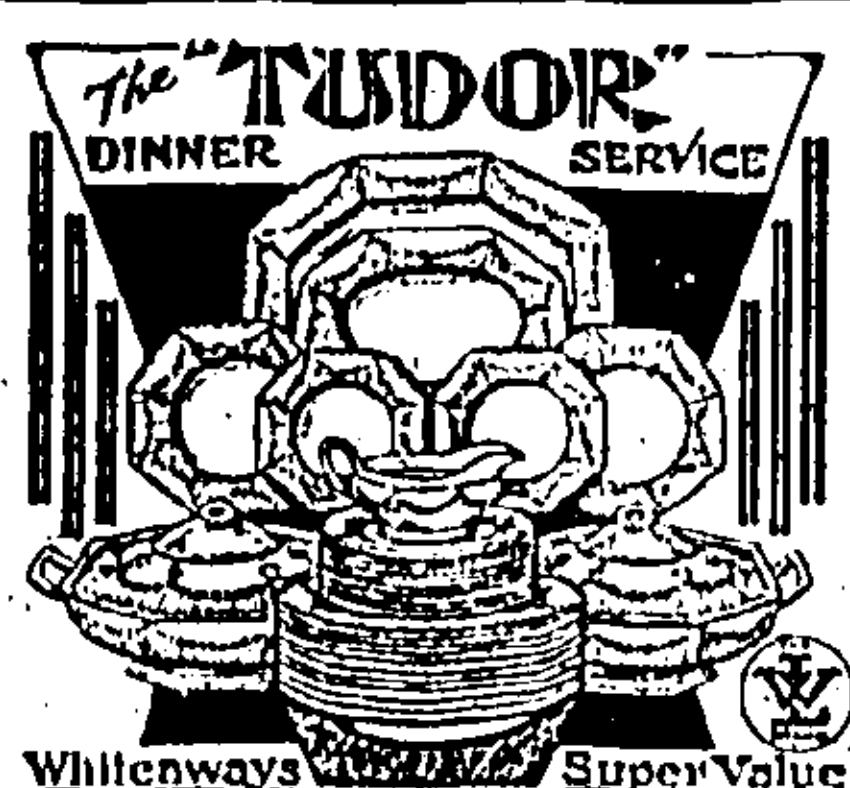


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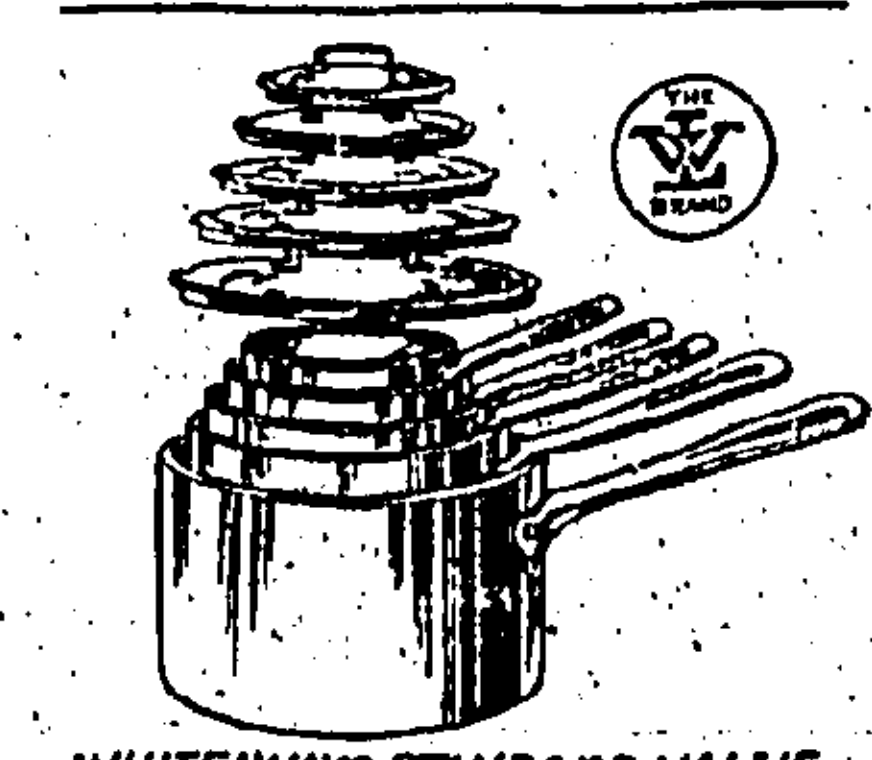
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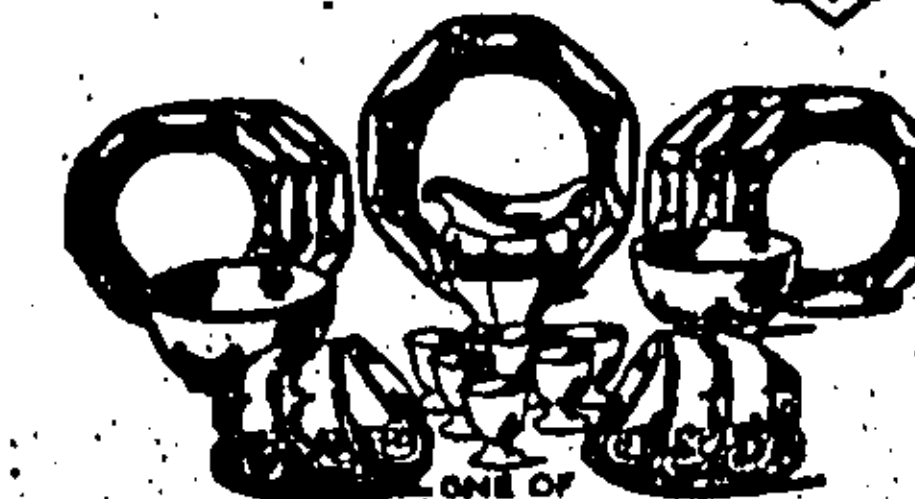
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## THE FLOWER SHOW.

DULL WEATHER HAS  
ADVERSE EFFECT.

The persistence of damp, foggy weather, with an almost total absence of sunshine, has been the cause of much perturbation among those keenly interested in the Flower Show, which is due to be held at the City Hall on Thursday. Up till six weeks ago, the season promised to be a good one, but adverse conditions since have not only retarded growth, but, in many cases, spoilt what looked like being prize-winning exhibits.

In spite of which it is encouraging to learn from the Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. T. Bagram, that entries, which closed on Thursday, are not greatly below previous numbers, showing that some keen horticulturalists have succeeded in nursing along their produce. In the open Classes there are 24 exhibitors this year (as against 29 last year), whereas from the Peak District there will be 16 exhibitors (as against 27 last year). It is the Peak gardens which have been most in the recent period of sunless weather, but it is not too late, even yet, for a spell of sunshine to work a change.

Certain it is that the Flower Show on Thursday next will be well worth visiting, even as an object lesson of what can be done in spite of difficulties.

The gun is at the bottom of Mirror Lake. But do take care of yourself, and by that I mean don't hurt yourself to death. Any messages for anyone in New York?"

Penny's pale face quivered. "If you happen to run across my father, which of course you won't, tell him that mother would like for him to come home."

At intervals during the 16-hour run to New York, Penny's faltering words returned to haunt the district attorney's special investigator, although he would have preferred to devote his entire attention to mapping out the programme he intended to follow when he reached the city which, he fully believed, had been the scene of the first act of the tragic drama he was bent upon bringing to an equally tragic conclusion.

As soon as he had registered at a hotel near the Pennsylvania station, and had shaved and breakfasted, he took from his bag a

## BLOW TO CHELSEA.

GALLACHER SUSPENDED BY  
F. A. FOR TWO MONTHS.

Hugh Gallacher, Chelsea's Scottish International forward, has been suspended by the F.A. for two months. Gallacher's punishment was "for using filthy language to the referee," and dates from Jan. 17. The decision was reached at a meeting of a Commission of the F.A. in London.

Gallacher was sent off the field in the second half of the match between Chelsea and Grimsby Town at Stamford Bridge on December 27. The blow to Chelsea is especially heavy as the team, after an unimpressive beginning, improved to the extent of gaining a decisive victory over West Ham in the Cup. Gallacher cannot be played again until the semi-finals on March 14.

In connexion with the incident Andrew Wilson, the Chelsea and Scottish International inside forward, was cautioned for ungentlemanly conduct.

It is suggested as a result of Gallacher's suspension that Chelsea may make overtures to West Ham for their centre-forward, Victor Watson. As Watson was unable to play recently owing to injury he would be eligible to play for Chelsea in the Cup competition.

We must all be conscious of a drip, drip, drip of the commonplace on the minds and eyes of those who frequent cinema.

Mr. W. W. Vynnyk.

A large envelope containing the photographs Carraway had made of Penny alive and of Nita dead, both clad in the royal blue velvet dress. In the envelope also was the white satin, gold-embroidered label which the dress had so proudly borne: "Pierre Model. Copied by Simonson's, New York City."

Half an hour later he was showing the photographs and the label to a woman buyer in the French salon of Simonson's, one of New York's most "exclusive" department stores.

"Can you tell me when the original Pierre model was bought, and when this copy was made and sold?" he asked.

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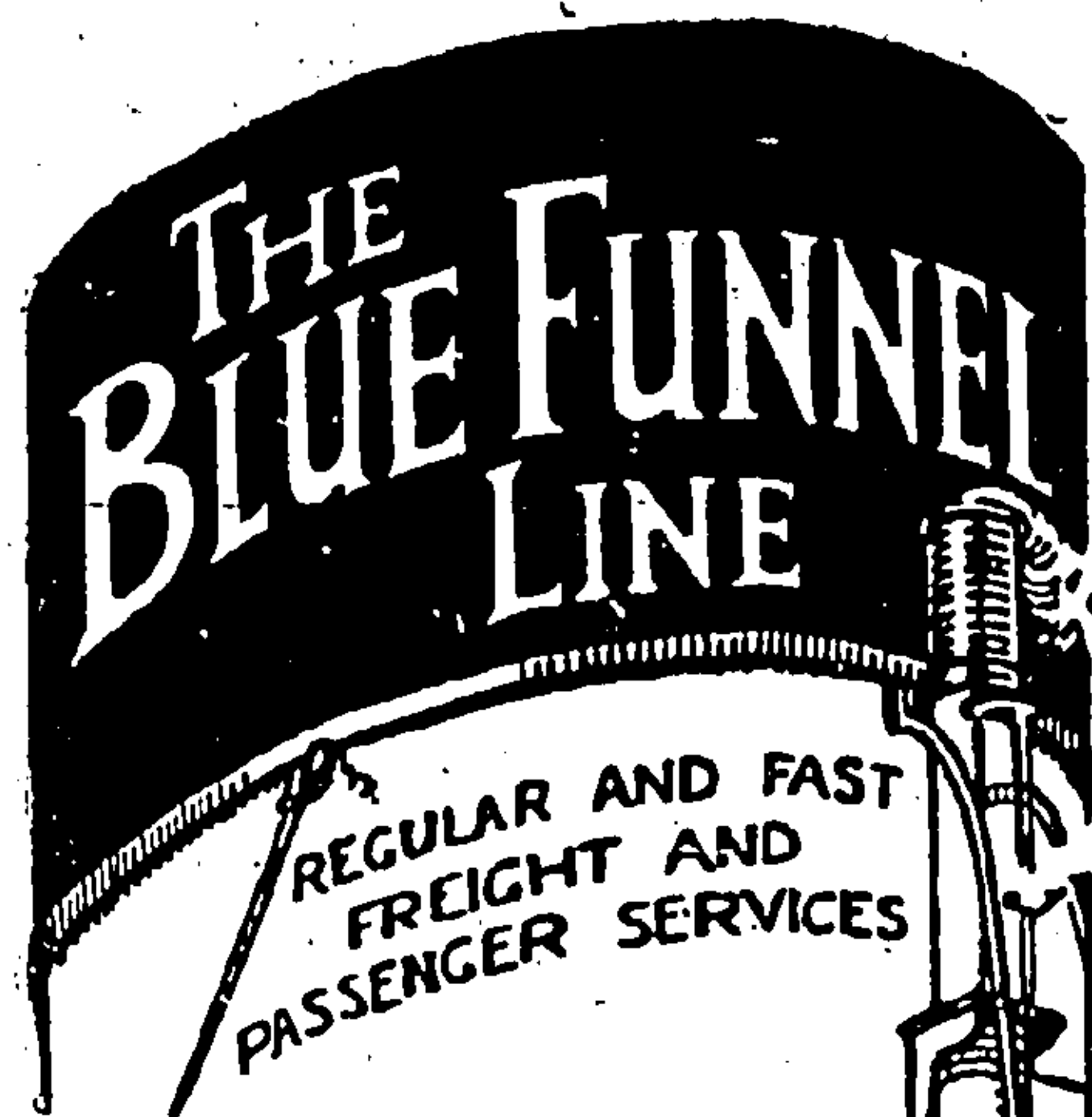
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## HUNT AT FANLING.

IDEAL WEATHER FOR MEET ON WEDNESDAY.

Wednesday was probably the best day that the Fanling Hunt has experienced so far this year. Weather conditions were ideal. The previous evening there had been sufficient rain to dampen the plough, and yet not render the going too heavy, and a cold and overcast afternoon ensured an easy day for horses and hounds.

Moving off from Sheungshui Police Station at 3.15, the huntmen drew the foothills on the north bank of the Shumchun tributary. Hounds soon hit the line and ran parallel to the Police patrol path up to Taku-lung Customs House. This run has been done more than once this year, and has never yet failed to supply good country. The second run came as quite a surprise to many of the field who did not know of the existence of such good country near home.

A short track brought the field to the large expanse of grass which lies north of Stag Hill. The huntmen drew here and hounds were soon running strongly. The field ran even more strongly, in fact it resembled a miniature cavalry charge. Bertram, with his owner up, gave a very good imitation of the newfangled flight, lifting his hat and whither, never actually touching anything.

From Stag Hill hounds ran to the "Lichee Farm" and then to within a short distance of Kennels, where they killed. Two and a half couples of hounds hunted the line perfectly throughout the whole day; it was a pity that hysteria prevented a larger pack being brought out.

A pleasing appearance was that of Dr. and Mrs. Anderson, and the South Wales Borderers were represented by Capt. Fowkes, for the second time this week. Taku was in greater numbers than on Sunday, and there were visitors from Shanghai. The field numbered 28.

Saturday's meet is at the kennels at 3.15, and the following Wednesday at Bill's Corner at the same time.

## THE ANNUAL RACES.

PREPARATIONS AFOOT FOR BIG MEETING.

Preparations are well afoot for the annual race meeting, which commences on Saturday. The course is in good condition and the improvements, including the new tea room in the public stand and the new clock on the tower, are completed. The starting barrier posts are gleaming in new coats of paint for their first time of using, and an additional observation hut has been erected at the bend at Wong Nei Chong Road. With kind weather a most successful meeting is promised.

Despite the official discouragement, there are many unofficial sweep draws, and all being well patronised. As of old, also, a number of clubs are conducting selling sweeps—known elsewhere as "Calcuttas." Conditions for the meeting are mostly as before, but it is noticeable that in the draft programme red ink is devoted to the stipulation, "No children are permitted in either enclosure during the first four days racing." This prohibition has been adopted for some two or three years, but until now has not been rigidly enforced.

A study of the entries reveals some very big potential fields. There are no fewer than 68 ponies in for the Valley Stakes on the first day, and the Peking Plate on the fourth day. The Wongsheehong Stakes has 67, the Kaigan Plate on the second day has 66 and the Phoenix Stakes on the fourth day 65.

The biggest entry of the meeting however, is, of course in the Consolation Stakes, which has 99. The Nil Desperandum has 70, while the first race on the 8th day, shows 80 in the Hongkong Handicap 91 and the Tylan Handicap 68.

It should be remembered that this year the Derby is the third race on the third day, not the second day as before. The Champions is the eighth race on the fourth day, the eighth on the third day as in other years.

## THE LEGALIZATION OF OPIUM.

REPORTED MONOPOLY SCHEME ROUSES OPPOSITION.

In view of persistent reports alleging the possible legalization of the opium traffic by the Chinese Government, responsible officers of the National Anti-Opium Association of China held a special meeting at the house of Dr. Tong Shao-yi, ex-premier and honorary president of the Association. The meeting was presided over by Dr. Tong and among those present were Dr. T. H. Lee, Dr. Wang King-ky, Mr. Garfield Huang and several others.

At the meeting unanimous opposition was voiced against the legalization scheme, which was considered a suicidal policy for the Chinese Government. It was decided that the following measures should be taken to prevent its adoption:

## Meeting of Protest.

1. A protest meeting of all public organizations should be convened in Shanghai on the 19th instant.

2. The National Government should be petitioned to enforce strictly anti-opium laws and regulations, which at present were more or less on paper, and make a definite commitment to the nation never to seek in the opium trade a source of revenue.

3. The Legislative Yuan should be petitioned to introduce and adopt a bill permanently outlawing the opium trade and preventing the readmittance of its legitimacy.

4. The Kuomintang Central Party Headquarters should be requested to oppose the legalization scheme, in accordance with the teachings of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, who in 1924 strongly criticized such a scheme and characterized it as a betrayal of the nation.

5. Letters should be addressed to Mr. K. T. Chung and Mr. Ma Ying-chu, members on the National Opium Suppression Committee (official), who had previously opposed the legalization of the opium trade, requesting them to oppose the scheme in the National Opium Suppression Committee.

## Force of Public Opinion.

6. The National Opium Suppression Committee should be asked to respect the demand of public opinion and strictly adhere to the policy of absolute suppression for the enforcement of which the Committee was specially created.

7. The National Anti-Opium Association should immediately issue a statement setting forth reasons for its opposition to the legalization of opium, and explaining that recent statements by one of the executive members of the Association were in direct opposition to the policy it had consistently maintained.

8. The Association should not hereafter permit any of its executive members to become concurrently members of the National Opium Suppression Committee, this resolution being, however, subject to the approval of the General Meeting of the Association.

According to the Association, the reports alleging the possible legalization of opium are apparently well founded. The Association has learned from reliable sources that two high officials of the Ministry of Finance, Mr. Li Chihung and Hsin Ting-yao, have been visiting Formosa to study the

## ATTEMPTED ROBBERY.

TWO YEAR OLD INCIDENT RECALLED.

Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, heard further evidence in the case in which Fong Ping is charged with having on March 27, 1929, with four others not in custody, and armed with two pistols and daggers assaulted Wong Sik-chuen with intent to rob at No. 60, Lai Chi Kok Road.

Wong Yuet-fong, daughter of the complainant, said that she was in the kitchen about 8 a.m. on the day in question when she saw a man enter the cubicle which the defendant occupied. An hour later three other men were admitted into his cubicle by the defendant. Shortly after, while the family were having breakfast, the four men, headed by the defendant, rushed into the room. The defendant pointed a pistol at her father, while another man tried to force an orange into his mouth and when he struggled he was stabbed. They then raised an alarm and the men bolted away throwing aside their arms. On January 4 last witness attended an identification parade at the Yau-mat police station where she identified the defendant.

Sub-inspector Monro said that on the report made at the Sham Shui Po station by the witness he went to No. 60, Lai Chi Kok Road, where he found two fully loaded automatic pistols and two daggers, which he handed over to Inspector Fallon who came on the scene soon after.

A Chinese detective, Tang Chau, said that acting on information received he arrested the defendant in Whitfield Road on January 1. His informant pointed out the defendant to him.

The defendant elected to make a statement in the dock. He said he was not guilty. He must have been mistaken for someone else. He had lived in Whitfield Road for one year, and he asked that his principal tenant be called as a witness. Mr. Butters adjourned the hearing until Monday to hear the principal tenant.

## FLOOD IN ARGENTINA.

SERIOUS SITUATION OWING TO HEAVY RAINS.

Buenos Aires, Feb. 20. Torrential rains in the province of Cordoba have caused the Rio Grande to overflow its banks, and wide tracts of land are flooded.

A number of persons have been drowned, while rail and road traffic is interrupted.

The Government has despatched troops to carry out relief work in the flooded area.—Reuter's American Service.

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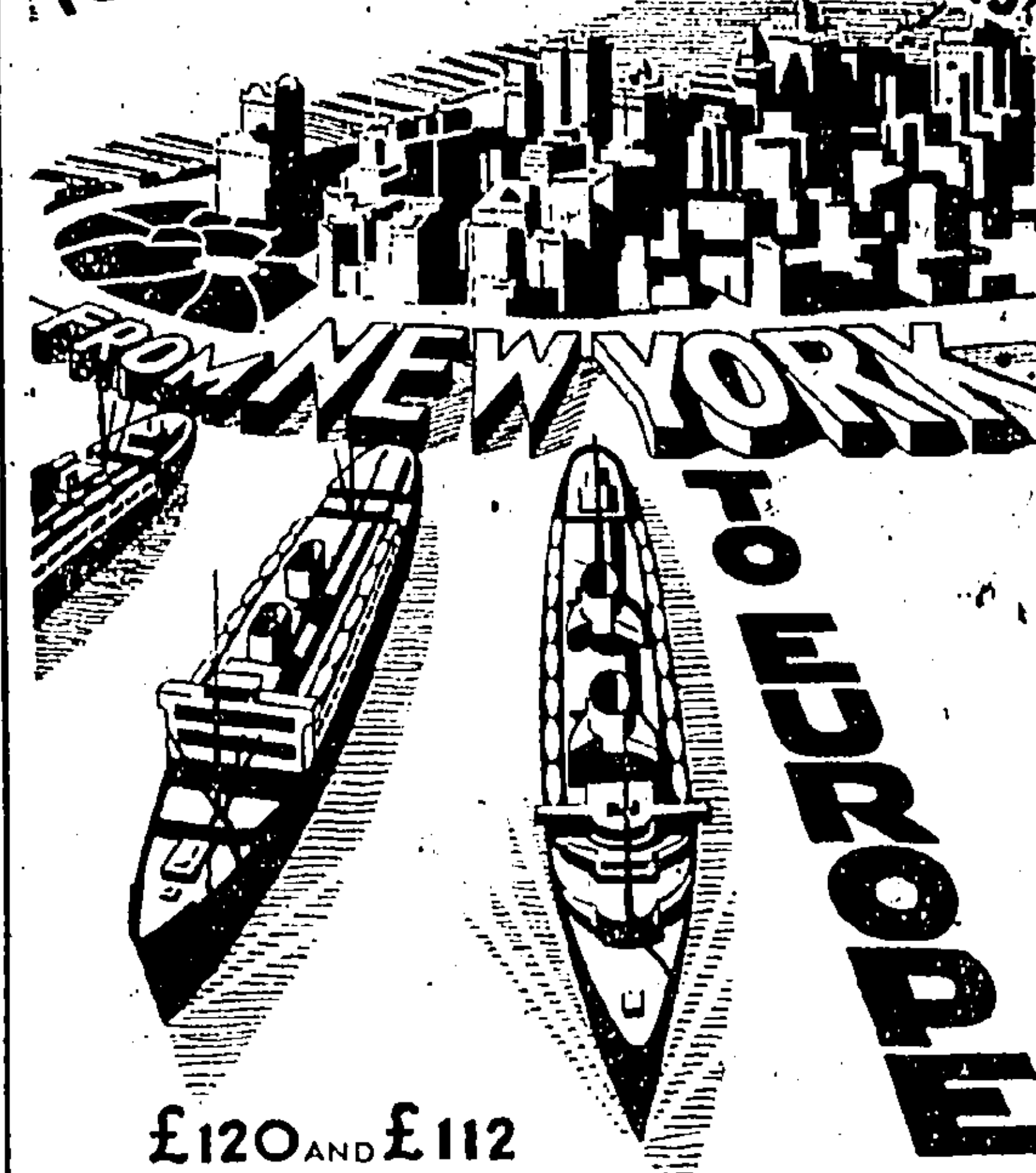
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It is gratifying to know that, in spite of the depressed conditions prevailing in practically every foreign country, the operations of the foreign branches show approx-

imately the same profit as in the record figures of last year. Directly operated branches were increased by the taking over of the Philippine branches from the International Banking Corporation, the acquisition of five new branches in Porto Rico as a result of the purchase of the American Colonial Bank, the opening of one additional branch in Cuba, and two new agency offices in Buenos Aires. At the year-end we are operating abroad, either directly or through our subsidiary banking corporation, one hundred offices, located in twenty-three foreign countries, providing what is recognized to be the most complete organization for world-wide banking service. In the Greater City of New York twelve new branches were opened during the year, bringing the number of domestic branches to forty-nine, which closed the year with deposits of 13% in excess of a year ago. Arrangements have been completed for the opening of four additional branches within the coming months.

The year was the greatest in the Bank's history in the development of its thrift activities. In New York City and in our foreign branches Compound Interest (Thrift) deposits reached a new peak of approximately \$127,000,000. In New York City alone the increase was the largest since the department was organized in 1921 \$11,702,018, bringing the city total to nearly \$80,000,000. The number of Compound Interest depositors throughout the world reached 562,000, an increase of about 16%. In New York City the number of depositors is more than 381,000, an increase of 18%.

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4.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.  
7.00-11.30 p.m. European Programme of Columbia Records kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.

7.00-7.32 p.m. Variety.  
Orchestral-Gaiety Echoes.  
Herman Finck and His Orch. 9718.  
Organ Solo-Dancing With Tears in My Eyes.  
Organ Solo-Watching My Dreams Go By.

Quantin Maclean. 289.  
Descriptive Sketch-A Music Hall Trial Turn.  
Horace Kenney. 169.

Song-Without A Song.  
Song-More Than You Know.  
Layton and Johnston. 315.  
7.32-8.00 p.m. Musical Comedy.  
The Desert Song-Selections.  
Dobroy Somers Band. 9200.

Hit The Deck-Selections.  
London Hippodrome Orchestra. 9284.  
The Windmill Man-Selections.  
Court Symphony Orchestra. 9526.

8.00-8.27 p.m. Octets.  
Mignon-Poloniaise (Thomas Arr. Robertson).  
Mignon-Introduction Et Romance (Thomas Arr. Robertson).

Träume (Drems) (Wagner arr. Willoughby).  
Albumblatt (Album Leaf) (Wagner arr. Willoughby).  
Classical Selections (arr. Ewing).  
J. H. Squire Celeste Octet. 9507.

8.27-9.00 p.m. Operatic.  
The Barber Of Seville-Overture (Rossini).  
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Song-Somewhere A Voice Is Calling (Eileen Newton & Arthur Tate).  
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11.30 p.m. Close Down.

## SUNDAY'S PROGRAMME.

11.00-12.15 p.m. Union Church Service.

Voluntary.  
Hymn-"How Sweet The Name Of Jesus Sounds."

Invention and Lord's Prayer.  
Scripture Reading-Isiah Chapter 40 verses 18 to 31.

Hymn-"Praise Waits For Thee In Zion Lord."

Children's Address.  
Hymn-"I Think When I Read That Sweet Story Of Old."

Prayer.  
Offertory Prayer.

Hymn-"Christ, For The World We Sing."

Sermon-Religion Not A Weight But Wings.

Not A Load But A Lift.

Hymn-"They That Walk Upon The Lord."

National Anthem.

Benediction.

12.15 p.m. Chinese Programme.

1.30 p.m. Weather Report, Local Time, etc.

2.00 p.m. Close Down.

8.00-8.30 p.m. Organ Recital by Mr. G. Longyear relayed from the Union Church.

Spring Song. Hollins.

Twilight-Meak.

Largo-Dvorak.

Grand Chorus-Hollins.

Romance-Rubenstein.

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## CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES  
MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

The Steamship,

"ATHOS II"

Arrived Hongkong on Tuesday, the 17th February, 1931.

From MARSEILLES, &c.

Consignees of Cargo by the above named steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery can be obtained as the goods are landed.

Goods not cleared within 7 days including date of arrival, will be subject to rent.

All claims must be sent to the undersigned before the Thursday, the 26th February 1931, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the consignees, and the Company's Surveyor Messrs. Goddard and Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Monday the 23rd February, 1931.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL, Agent.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1931.

N. Y. K. LINE

(NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.)

From EUROPE AND STRAITS.

The Steamship,

"LIMA MARU."

Having arrived from the above ports, consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 27th February 1931, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the consignees and the Co.'s representatives on any Tuesdays and Fridays, at 2.00 p.m. within the free storage period.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1931.

DUTCH WHEAT.

MEASURE TO ASSIST THE HOME GROWERS.

The Hague, Feb. 20.

The Chamber, by 25 to 20 votes, has authorised the Government to assist Dutch wheat growers by ordering that, for three years, 25 per cent. of Dutch wheat or flour must be ground or mixed with similar imported grain.—Reuter.

COUNT THE

"TELEGRAPHS"

and then let us plan

your 1931

Advertising Campaign

## MRS. BRUCE HOME.

CONCLUSION OF HER FLIGHT  
ROUND THE WORLD.

London, Feb. 20.

After a world flight of 27,000 miles from London to Tokyo and back, via the United States, Mrs. Victor Bruce arrived at Croydon aerodrome at noon, escorted from Lymington by Miss Amy Johnson and Miss Winifred Spooner, as well as well-known airmen.

She was welcomed by Mr. Montague, Under Secretary for Air. Her aeroplane is covered with autographs from all over the world, including Al Capone's.—Reuter.

CANADIAN  
PACIFIC

## QUICKEST TIME ACROSS THE PACIFIC

12 DAYS FROM CHINA AND 8 DAYS FROM JAPAN  
TO CANADA AND U.S.A.

12 EXPOS

TO CANADA AND U.S.A.

	Hongkong Leave	Shanghai Leave	Kobe Leave	Yokohama Leave	Vancouver Arrive
Empress of Canada	Mar. 5	Mar. 8	Mar. 10	Mar. 12	Mar. 21
Empress of Russia*	Mar. 10	Mar. 21	Mar. 24	Mar. 26	Apr. 4
Empress of Japan	Apr. 1	Apr. 4	Apr. 7	Apr. 9	Apr. 17
Empress of Asia	Apr. 10	Apr. 13	Apr. 16	Apr. 18	Apr. 27
Empress of Canada	Apr. 25	Apr. 28	Apr. 30	May 2	May 14
Empress of Russia*	May 4	May 11	May 14	May 16	May 25
Empress of Japan	May 23	May 26	May 28	May 30	June 10
Empress of Asia	June 5	June 8	June 11	June 13	June 22
Empress of Canada	June 19	June 23	June 26	June 27	July 8
Empress of Russia*	July 3	July 6	July 9	July 11	July 20
Empress of Japan	July 18	July 21	July 23	July 25	Aug. 5
Empress of Asia	Aug. 21	Aug. 3	Aug. 6	Aug. 8	Aug. 17
Empress of Canada	Aug. 15	Aug. 18	Aug. 20	Aug. 22	Aug. 30
Empress of Russia*	Aug. 28	Aug. 31	Sept. 3	Sept. 5	Sept. 15

\* Call at Nagasaki the day after departure from Shanghai

+ Calls at Honolulu on May 8. \*Calls at Honolulu on June 5.

PACIFIC



# CENTRAL THEATRE

To-day Four Performances  
Daily at 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20 p.m.

NOW YOU SEE CHEVALLER'S BEST!



Fresh, French and frisky!  
Publishing with his old  
sparkle and his new song hits!



WITH CLAUDETTE COLBERT

## MAURICE CHEVALIER "The Big Pond"

A Paramount Picture

The American Comedy Romance  
brings him to you through your  
own back door.

Hear Him Sing  
His New Hits!

"You Brought a  
New Kind of Love"

Living in the  
Sunlight"

NEXT CHANGE



Nautical  
but  
Nice!

## CLARA BOW "True to the Navy"

FREDRIC MARCH, HARRY GREEN  
A Paramount Picture

Clara sings! With her voice, her eyes, her  
whole body! In a fleet of sweethearts  
she finds "There's Only One Who Mat-  
ters." She fights the Navy for him. Re-  
member Fredric March in "The Wild  
Party"? He's her boy-friend again. And  
Harry Green's a riot in a real comic role!

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Booking at Anderson's & The Theatre. Tel. 25720

Printed and Published for the Proprietors by FREDERICK PERRY  
FRANKLIN, at 1 and 3, Wyndham Street, in the City of Victoria  
Hongkong.

## MURDER OF POPPY GROWERS.

"MAKING EXAMPLES" IN  
THE SWATOW AREA.

OFFICIAL PERFIDY.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Swatow, Feb. 18.  
There is much uncertainty  
among the farmers in the districts  
around as to the policy of the  
authorities with regard to the  
opium crop. More poppy has been  
grown this season than for some  
years, and the fields are in bloom  
and the opium is being drawn off  
at the present time. Technically  
the crop is illegal and in some  
parts the military headquarters  
at Swatow has sent out companies  
of soldiers with orders to uproot  
the flowers. The activity of these  
guards is sporadic and arbitrary.  
Where they have been there have  
been some sad incidents, as at a  
village in the Fungshun district  
when they fired on and killed a  
man who was tending his plants  
in the field, and again where, near  
to Ho-sha in the Kityang district,  
a man was summarily executed.  
These measures contrast strongly  
with the inactivity of officials  
in other parts.

In many villages the farmers  
are abandoning or putting up  
their crops, a serious loss, for  
the poppy is an expensive crop to  
cultivate.

Last year practically no fields  
were laid down with poppy; but  
last autumn the word was  
seriously passed round that  
this year it would be all right to  
plant, and that there would be  
a tax of \$15 an acre on the crop.  
It was not known openly by whom  
action had been given, but it  
was popularly believed that it  
came from the military head-  
quarters.

The civil magistrates from  
the beginning took a strong line  
on paper against it, but nothing  
was done to make their prohibi-  
tions effective. Later the military  
authorities also put out proclama-  
tions against the crop. But people  
are quite in the dark as to the  
real intentions of the various  
authorities, whether they mean  
uproot it is likely to be an ex-  
pensive business.

When the seed was first planted  
it was generally said that it was  
part of the lot brought in by the  
Yunnanese who entered Kwangsi  
last year, and that, it had been  
brought into Swatow by vessels  
of the Chinese Navy. Whether  
this was mere speculation or whether  
there was some ground for the  
suspicion one cannot tell.

## INDUSTRIES FAIR BIG SUCCESS.

ONE ORDER BRINGS IN  
£100,000.

London, Feb. 21.  
Great satisfaction is expressed  
by the exhibitors at the British  
Industries Fair at the extent of  
business done with home and  
foreign buyers who have visited  
the fair.

The Manchester Guardian says  
an order has been given for two  
million yards of fabric called  
spara, which was much admired  
by the Queen during her visit to  
the Cotton Section of the fair.  
It is worth £100,000 and has been  
placed partly by home and partly  
by colonial buyers.

The largest foreign order in  
this section was received yester-  
day for two hundred miles of fine  
white mull from a Near East  
merchant.

Nearly 12,000 accredited buyers  
visited the heavy section of the  
fair at Birmingham yesterday.  
During the first five days of the  
Fair 2,400 gorgeous buyers and  
over 56,000 home buyers visited  
the Olympia section.—British  
Wireless.

## EXCHANGE RATES.

Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris.....123.91 1/2	123.89 1/2
Geneva.....25.18	25.18 1/2
Berlin.....20.43 1/2	20.43 1/2
Oslo.....18.16 1/2	18.16 1/2
Helsingfors.....193	193
Buenos Aires.....36.13 1/2	36.13 1/2
Athens.....375	375
Shanghai.....17 1/4	17 1/4
New York.....4.86 7/16	4.86 9/16
Amsterdam.....12.10 3/4	12.10 3/4
Stockholm.....18.14 1/2	18.14 1/2
Vienna.....34.67 1/2	34.67 1/2
Madrid.....40.25	40.25
Bucharest.....817	817
Montevideo.....34 1/2	34 1/2
Hongkong.....10 1/2	10 1/2
Brussels.....32.84 1/4	32.84 1/4
Milan.....92.79 1/2	92.79 1/2
Copenhagen.....18.10 1/4	18.10 1/4
Prague.....104 1/4	104 1/4
Lisbon.....108.25	108.25
Rio.....4.7 3/32	4.7 1/16
Bombay.....1.75 1/2	1.75 1/2
Yokohama.....2.0 13/32	2.0 13/32
Silver (spot).....12.5 1/16	12.5 1/16
(forward).....12.5 1/16	12.5 1/16

—British Wireless. Reuters.

## MRS. BRUCE GIVEN BIG WELCOME.

AIR UNDER-SECRETARY'S  
TRIBUTE.

EFFICIENT PLANE.

London, Feb. 20.

The Hon. Mrs. Victor Bruce, the  
famous racing motorist and avi-  
ator, concluded her 19,000 miles  
world flight to-day when she ar-  
rived at Croydon Aerodrome from  
Lympne. No single part of her  
Blackburn "Blue Bird" aeroplane  
has been renewed during the flight.

She was accorded an official wel-  
come at Croydon by the Air Coun-  
cil, on whose behalf the Under  
Secretary for Air, Mr. Frederick  
Montague offered congratulations.  
He said:—"The most striking fea-  
ture of the accomplishment was its  
perfect and unpretentious effi-  
ciency."

Recalling the fact that Mrs.  
Bruce qualified for the Air Minis-  
try private pilot's licence only two  
months before starting on her long  
and arduous flight, and that her  
actual flying experience up to the  
date of her departure was only  
about forty hours, he said this must  
have an important bearing upon the  
development of air-mindedness and  
do much to convince the public of  
the strides that are being made in  
the efficiency and reliability of modern  
aircraft. —British Wireless.

## MR. EUGENE CHEN'S FUTURE.

NOT TO ENTER POLITICS  
FOR A TIME.

Nanking, Feb. 20.

In the absence of an official an-  
nouncement concerning the reported  
Nanking decision to appoint Mr.  
Eugene Chen, ex-Nationalist Minis-  
ter of Foreign Affairs at Canton,  
to an important post in the Foreign  
Office, it is believed that he will  
not re-enter politics for some time.  
It is announced by his associates  
that he will be returning to Shang-  
hai to-morrow.

Mr. Chen is planning to reside  
at Shanghai, spending his time in  
writing on matters observed  
during his long period of exile  
abroad.

## CHINESE DEMANDS ON JAPAN.

NOT LIKELY TO BE AGREED  
TO IN FULL.

Shanghai, Feb. 20.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
will shortly open negotiations with  
the Japanese authorities concern-  
ing the relinquishment of the Japan  
Concession at Hankow.

Peking sources believe that  
the Japanese Government is  
willing to return to China the  
settlements at Chungking, Shensi,  
Soochow and Hangchow, but con-  
siders the present time unsuitable  
for the rendition of the settlements  
at Tientsin, Amoy, Mukden and  
Changchun.

## WAR DAMAGES IN CHINA.

HOW THE TELEGRAPH LINES  
SUFFER.

Nanking, Feb. 20.

According to enquiries made by  
the Ministry of Communications,  
damage amounting to \$4,466,792  
was caused last year to telegraph  
wires in the provinces on account  
of the prolonged warfare between  
Nanking and the Shansi mili-  
tary combination.

## ITALIAN AIRMEN WELCOMED.

RETURN FROM ATLANTIC  
CROSSING.

Rome, Feb. 20.

Signor Mussolini warmly em-  
braced the Air Minister, General  
Balbo, who, with his aerial col-  
leagues, was victoriously welcomed  
on the beflagged capital on their  
return from their trans-Atlantic  
flight.—Reuters.

## THE FRENCH ARMY ESTIMATES.

MARKED INCREASE OVER  
LAST YEAR.

Paris, Feb. 20.

The Army Estimates have been  
prepared. They amount to Frs.  
459,000,000, which is Frs. 76,000,  
000 above the figure for last year.  
The total is, however, 16 per  
cent. below the pre-war figure.—  
Reuters.

## FLOODLIGHTING IN HONGKONG.

STRIKING EFFECTS OF  
SYSTEM.

During the last few weeks, many  
people have had their attention  
drawn to a brightly illuminated  
building at the eastern end of the  
harbour, and many have been the  
conjectures concerning it. The  
effect is most pleasing, and is  
produced by the employment of  
the General Electric Company's  
far-famed Floodlighting system on  
the Hongkong Electric Company's  
generating station at North Point.

Although an innovation as far  
as Hongkong is concerned, Flood-  
lighting has been used with  
conspicuous success throughout  
the world. London, of course,  
has many outstanding examples,  
while throughout the British  
Isles, important buildings of  
every description have been  
invested with a new angle  
of beauty by being made to  
stand out in almost dazzling white  
at night.

Apart from the lighting of  
buildings, there is an increasingly  
wide scope for floodlighting in  
industrial undertakings, such as  
the illumination of docks, wharves,  
railway goods yards, quarries,  
and open spaces generally where  
work is carried on by night. In  
marine work, floodlighting can be  
very effectively employed for the  
handling of cargo and the launch-  
ing of boats. Other applications  
are the lighting of buildings etc.  
during construction; the lighting  
of football fields, cricket ground,  
and tennis courts; and the  
illumination of pageants and  
spectacular displays of a variety  
of types.

Hongkong is peculiarly suitable  
for this form of illumination, and  
one can visualise the effect from  
many points of vantage, of promi-  
nent buildings, standing out  
at night radiantly white. It is  
anticipated that Floodlighting will  
be widely employed here, and the  
General Electric Company have  
already received numbers of en-  
quiries.

## SCHOOL WRECKED BY ANGRY MOB.

(Continued from Page 1.)

particularly unfortunate at this  
stage, since there would be a tem-  
ptation to one side to call in  
communist aid, and Ho-sha has for  
some years been the main bulwark  
against communism in the west of  
the Kit Yang District.

## Communist Invasion.

It is reported that the communist  
army under Tsu and Mo has enter-  
ed the Kwangtung border and cap-  
tured Pien-yen district city. For  
some time there has been specula-  
tion as to the effect of any drive in  
central China, and the expectation  
that, if successful, it might mean a  
retreat towards Kwangtung, West  
Fukien is, and for some time has  
been, overrun by communist armies;  
and recently Tingchow again fell to  
Tsu and Mo.

The weakness of the government  
attack against them is in the Fukien  
appointments. No-one has any  
confidence in the generals who  
have been entrusted with the move-  
ment there, and it is said that the  
communists expressed lively satis-  
faction at one appointment as it  
ensured them a plentiful supply  
of arms whenever the general  
should take the field. It is not  
therefore surprising that they  
should be able to cross the border.

Strenuous efforts will be made  
to stem them in Kwangtung.  
Military headquarters in Swatow  
are sending troops against them,  
some possibly up the Chaochowfu  
river, and some overland from Kit-  
yang. A force of 4900 has been  
ordered to advance from there  
through Fan-shun.

It is possible that Tsu and Mo  
have no intention of advancing into  
this province. But severe pressure  
would undoubtedly tend to push  
them both to the north and to the  
east rivers, if not further to the  
north-east of the province, and their  
movements will doubtless cause  
local reactions among the remnants  
of former communist forces, espe-  
cially in the Hai-lok Hong region.  
—Our Own Correspondent.

## NEW APPOINTMENTS GAZETTED.

MR. E. W. HAMILTON FOR  
KOWLOON BENCH.

The following appointments are  
gazetted:

Mr. E. W. Hamilton to be Police  
Magistrate, Kowloon.

Mr. J. S. MacLaren to be District  
Officer in the Southern District of  
the New Territories.

Mr. W. H. Owen to be an Assis-  
tant Assessor of Rates.

Mr. W. Schofield to act as First  
Police Magistrate and Coroner.

Mr. R. E. Lindell to act as  
Pulenc Judge.

## AMUSEMENTS OF HONGKONG.

AT THE  
**QUEEN'S** Final Showings To-day  
At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20.

NEVER HAVE YOU BEEN  
FUNNIER.

**WILLIAM  
HAINES**

THAN  
IN  
**Way  
Out  
West**

You take us out where Laughs  
are Laughs, and you show us just  
how to get laughs from a cowboy,  
and love from the cowboys' gals!  
It's a riotous round-up of roars!

FRED NIBLO'S production  
with

LEILA HYAMS, POLLY MORAN,  
CLIFF EDWARDS

A Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer ALL TALKING PICTURE

NEWSREEL  
REVIEW of  
THRILLS of 1930

REVUETTE  
"Ship Ahoy"  
with  
PHIL SPITALNY

MUSICAL  
TITTA  
RUFFO

TO-MORROW

Her only  
leg-acy was  
a pair of perfect  
calves—but the  
havoc they created!

with  
**SUE CAROL  
JACK MULHALL  
EL BRENDL**

Musical movie-tone of  
legs, love and laughter.

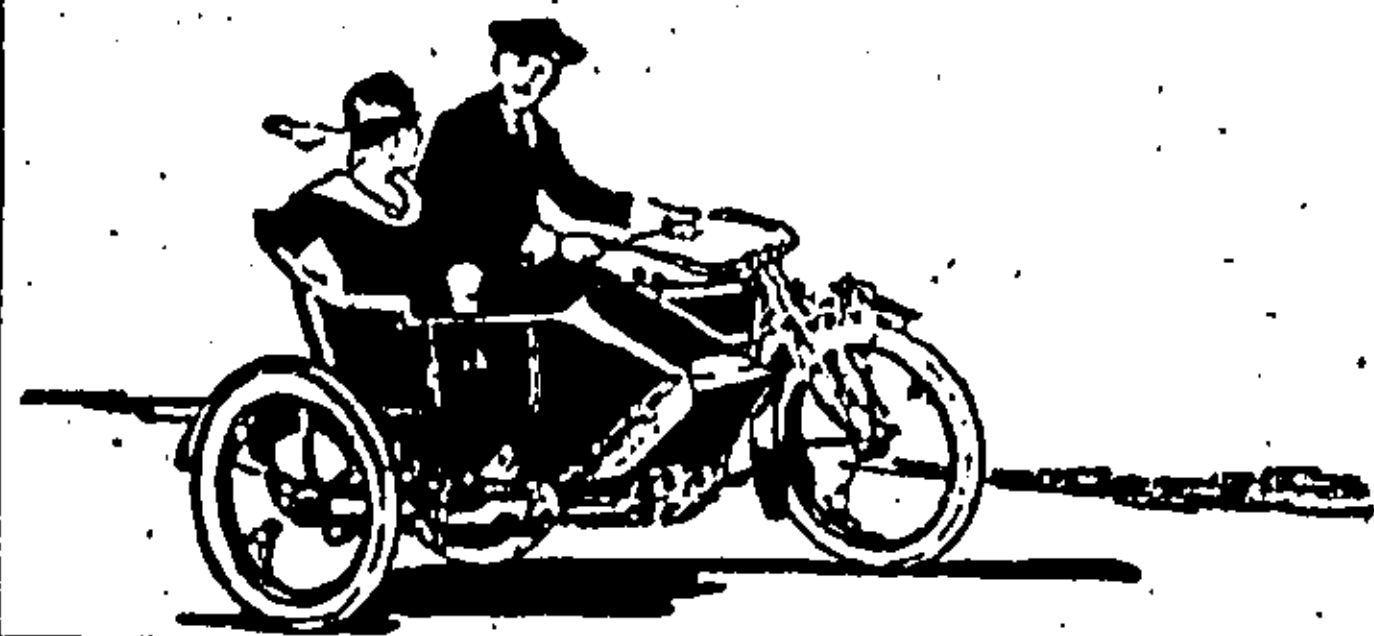
**The GOLDEN  
CALF**



AT THE **STAR** FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY  
At 2.30, 5.20 & 9.20



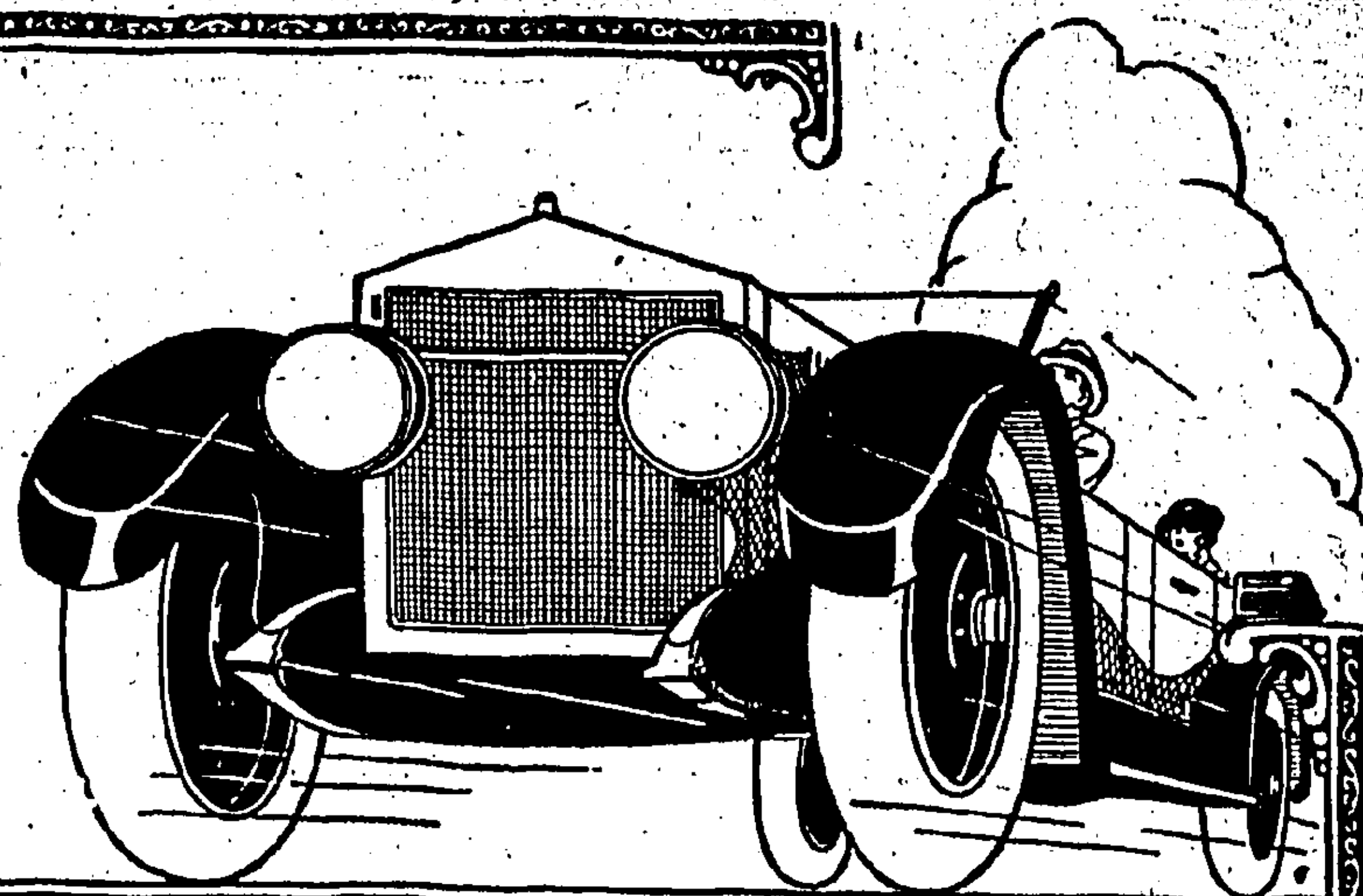
# MOTORING SUPPLEMENT



OF  
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SATURDAY, 21st. FEBRUARY, 1931.

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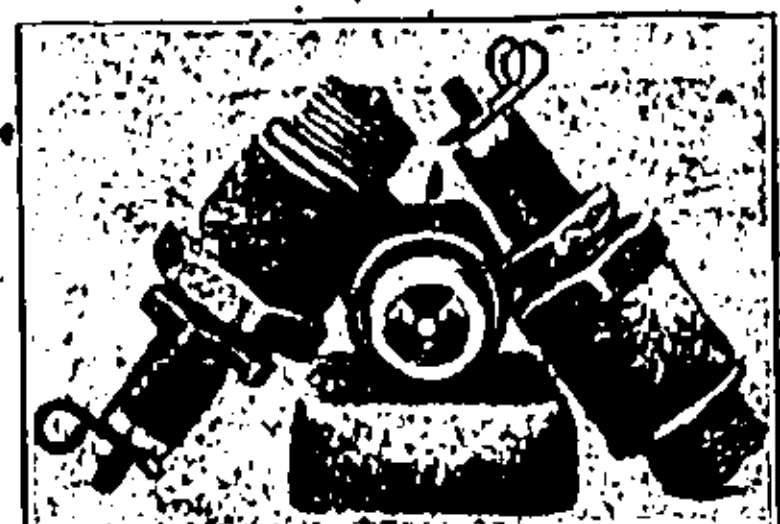


## THE A.A. AND M.U.

### An Historic Amalgamation.

Twenty years ago, (in January, 1911) two British Motoring Organisations, The Motor Union and The Automobile Association, joined forces by amalgamation. The new body was known as

**Try  
The Famous  
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**PLUGS  
IN YOUR MOTOR CARS  
and CYCLES**

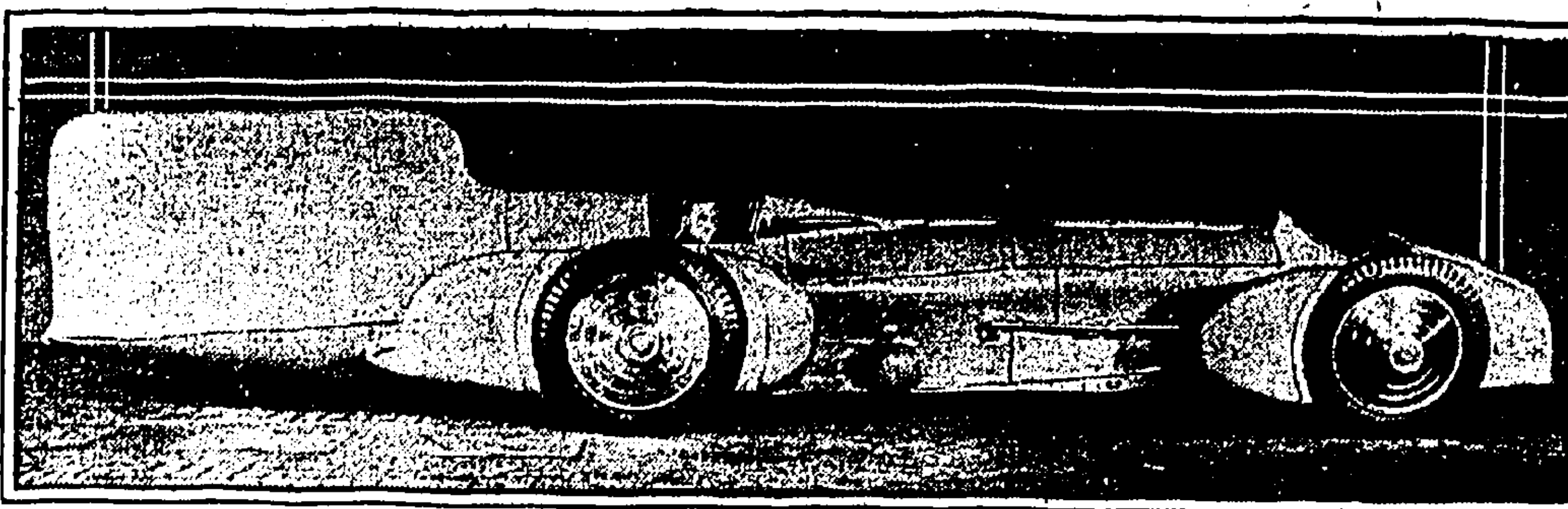
**"FIT AND FORGET"**

Sole Agents:—  
The Hongkong Motor Accessory Co.

Bank of Canton Building,  
1st Floor.

Kowloon Branch:—  
475, Nathan Road,  
(Next to Yau-mai School).

## CAPTAIN MALCOLM CAMPBELL'S FAMOUS "BLUE BIRD."



The above picture was taken shortly before Capt. Malcolm Campbell left England for the United States, where at Daytona Beach, he succeeded in beating the late Sir Henry Segrave's record of 231 miles per hour by 14 miles per hour. Capt. Campbell is the only living motorist who has exceeded a speed of 200 miles per hour.

"The Automobile Association and Motor Union," ("The A. A. and M. U."). The membership of The Motor Union was 8,500, and that of the A. A. 19,500.

Twelve years later, on the suggestion of a member of the old Motor Union Committee, the long name was shortened to "Automobile Association."

The amalgamation has been an outstanding success. Starting with a joint membership in 1911 of 28,000, the total membership has grown during twenty years to over 400,000—a World's record for Motoring Organisations.

As is well known, Mr. Charles McWhirter who was associated with the Motor Union from its inception, and was General Chairman of the M. U. Finance Committee, has been Chairman of The Automobile Association since 1923.

## CURRENT COMMENT

### These Crackers.

Once more, Chinese New Year celebrations, accompanied by the ear-splitting racket and din of exploding fire-crackers, have passed, and motorists especially will have heaved sighs of relief. What a pity it is that there is not a native legend or belief which would render it essential that crackers be fired from the top of a high mountain, for by banning the Peak, a pilgrimage might then be made to one of the hills on the other side, far away from the madding (and maddened) crowd. However, as we seemingly have to tolerate an annual pyrotechnic inferno, there should be stern measures taken to protect motorists from the danger of bombardment from upper stories by means of extremely dangerous crackers and toy bombs. During the holidays just passed, we have heard of several instances where drivers have been subjected to this reprehensible practice. Warning should be issued that any person discovered throwing crackers at vehicles, or pedestrians for that matter, would be liable to a heavy fine, and a few examples widely circulated, would doubtless have the desired effect.

### Nathan Road.

The grass plots at the far end of Nathan Road are still undesirable, in spite of the guides in the form of whitened granite blocks at the far end. They are not particularly ornamental, and we cannot quite see the purpose they are supposed to serve. With modern one-moving traffic, the wider the road the better, and although in days long since gone, shrubbery was employed in the landscape decoration of some famous streets and avenues, we are under the impression that modern street planning aims at using every available inch of space for either moving traffic or parking space.

## HUDDERSFIELD PARK.

On Site of Old Cloth Hall.

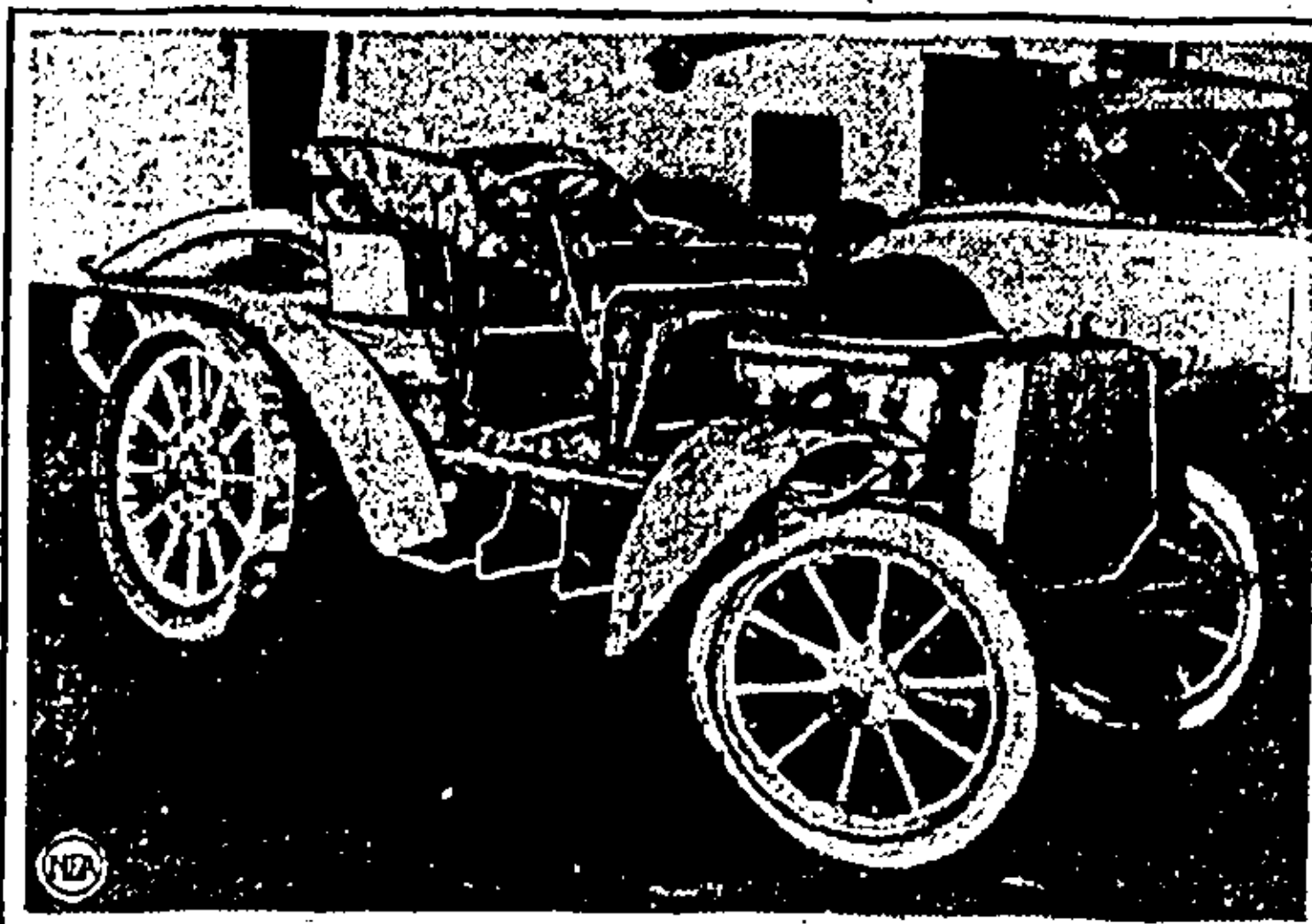
## SIXPENCE FOR 2 HOURS.

The Cloth Hall site in Market Street, Huddersfield, has been made into an official car park, and a fee of 6d. per two hours or 1s. per day has been fixed.

With the introduction of the Bessie railplane, in conjunction with the road bridge over the River Ribbles, the first steps towards linking up Liverpool, Southport, and Manchester will be accomplished.

Vehicles seating more than four-

## ONCE ROTHSCHILD'S CAR.



Baron Rothschild's Panhard . . . cost \$16,000!

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This old car was built by Panhard & Levassor in France in 1902 at a cost of \$16,000. Baron Rothschild entered it in the Paris-Madrid road race the following year. How it came out in this contest is not known. In 1904, it was purchased by F. W. Woolworth of ten-cent store fame, who took it to New York and used it

for a year. Colonel W. S. Proskey, prominent Nevada mining man bought the car from Woolworth in 1905 and brought it to Nevada. For 20 years it was used in travelling to all parts of the state, road conditions, or the lack of a road, failing to stop the old Panhard. When it was retired five years ago it was still in running condition, and mechanics declare it could be put in order again.

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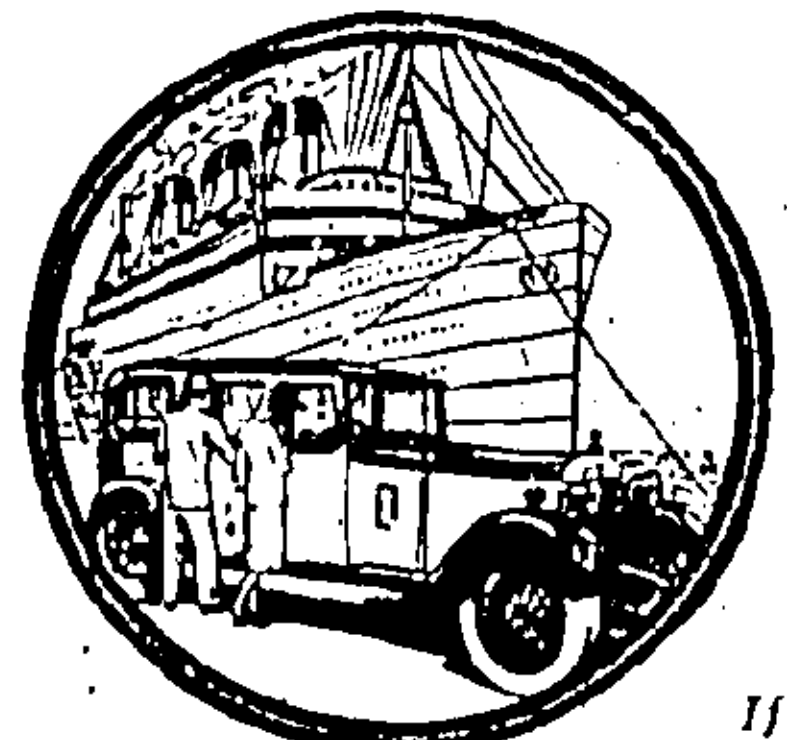
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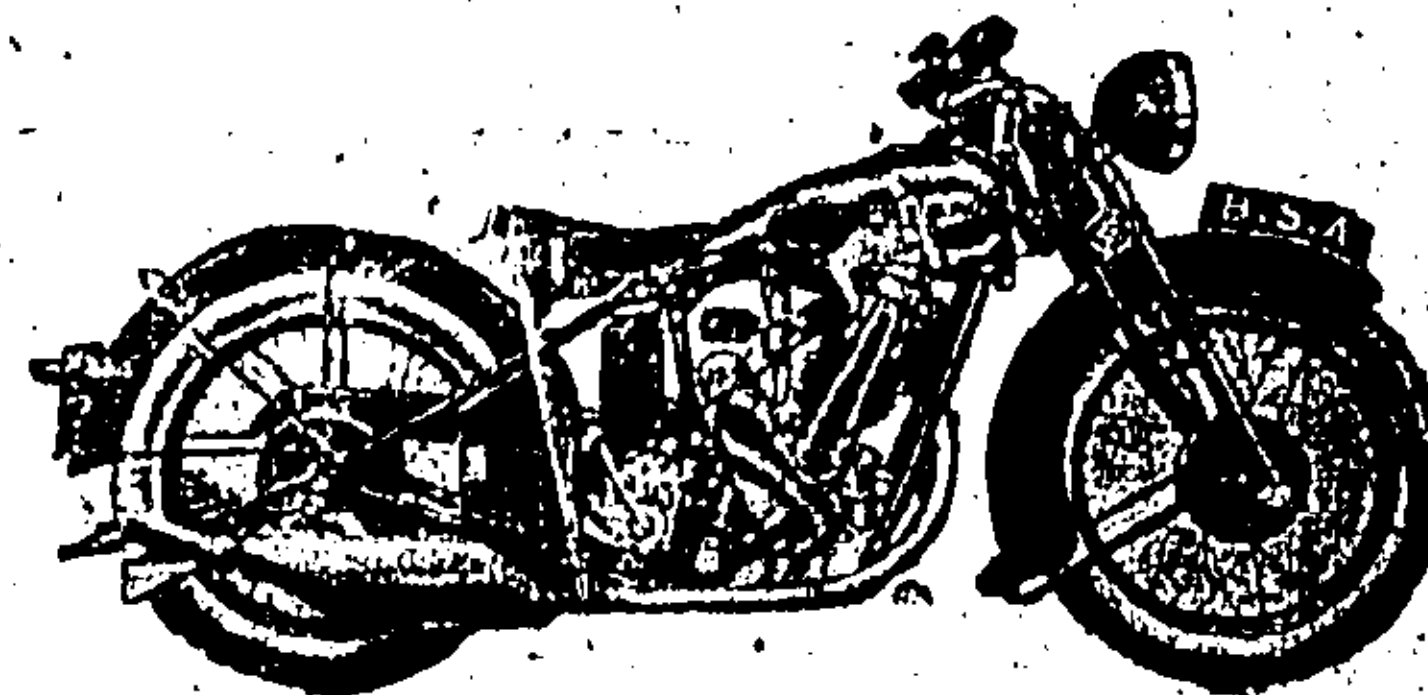
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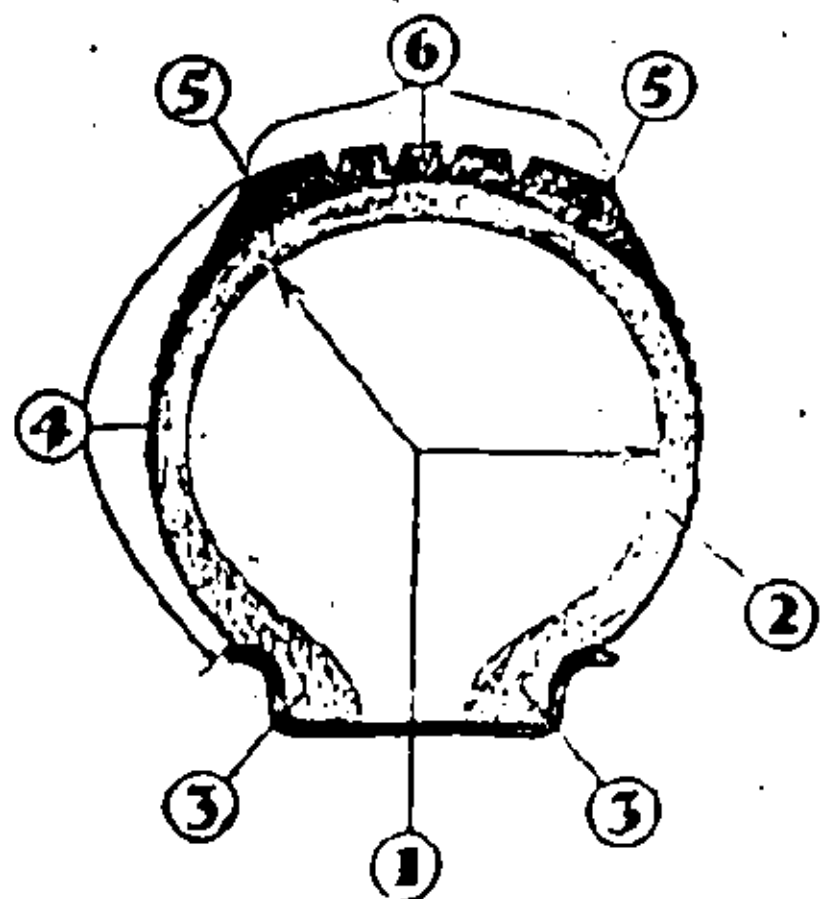
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## MOTOR NOTES FROM GREAT BRITAIN.

[Special Report to the Hongkong Telegraph by R.A.C.]

### Royal Cars for South America.

The forthcoming British Empire Trade Exhibition in Buenos Aires will include a strong representation of both the private car and commercial vehicle industries, for the potentialities of the South American markets are well realised and the opportunity is unique. As a centre of attraction the "Golden Arrow" is being staged and during the Exhibition "Miss England II," the boat in which the late Sir Henry Segrave set up a world's record in June last, will endeavour to beat her own record over a 10 mile course at the hands of Kaye Don.

The cars which the Prince of Wales and Prince George will use during their visit to Buenos Aires have recently been on view at the Devonshire House showrooms of Rootes Ltd., where also Captain Malcolm Campbell's "Bluebird" was displayed. The actual cars chosen for the Prince are Humbers, three being "Ship" saloons and the other a Pullman limousine, which will be used for state occasions. To complete the convoy, a Commer 40/50 cwt. van will be used to carry baggage.

### Planning a Campaign.

In the actual exhibition, apart from the Hummer models and Commers ranging up to 6/7 ton capacity, Rootes Ltd. will be showing the new 8-cylinder Hillman Vortice saloon.

That the Trade Exhibition is being regarded as the starting point of a sales campaign throughout South America is borne out by the Singer Co.'s plans. They have appointed a factory representative with over 20 years' experience of the Argentine, who, accompanied by expert mechanics and a large fleet of Singer cars, will establish showrooms and service stations and appoint distributors and dealers and generally organise a sales attack throughout the country.

### Modern Production & Service.

A very advanced system has just been installed at Singer's Birmingham works. This takes the form of high frequency drills, reamers and spanners for tightening nuts used in the assembly of the chassis and these are placed on either side of the conveyor track. The degree of tightness necessary for each nut is worked

out beforehand and the electric spanner is set to provide this exactly. It is said that by this means all four road wheels can be fitted by one mechanic in under half a minute.

The Standard Co., realising the extreme value of after-sales service, which apart from all else undoubtedly influences actual sales nowadays, have instituted a very useful Service School at their Canley Works, Coventry. Its primary object is to make provision for Standard agents throughout the country to send representatives to attend a fortnight's course of instruction in the upkeep and maintenance of these cars. Special lectures, too, are given, such as one by a Lucas expert on the electrical equipment.

### An Echo of the Indian Conference.

While in London for the Round Table Conference, the Maharajah Rana Bahadur of Jalawar tested several cars at the Brooklands track, one being a Triumph Super Seven "Gnat" sports 2-seater and another the new "Scorpion."

Rootes Ltd. have supplied the Maharajahdhiraja of Darbhanga with a 40/50 h.p. Rolls-Royce, fitted with a Thrupp and Maberly enclosed landaulette body. A distinguished new Sunbeam owner is the Baron Sato Kawasuki, who has purchased a 25 h.p. model with a special Weymann limousine body. When the Baron visited England a short while ago, he took the opportunity of viewing the Sunbeam Co.'s 60-acre works at Wolverhampton, purchasing his car through Pass and Joyce Ltd. and using it extensively in England before it was shipped out to Japan.

### Prospects for 1931.

An optimistic view of the prospects for the British motor trade in 1931 is taken by Mr. Reginald Delpech, sales director and founder of the Triplex Safety Glass Co., whose firm supplies the wants of five out of every six makers in Britain. He foresees a big expansion in the industry for at no time have cars been so cheap or so good.

"I am not referring merely to the advent of the £100 car, outstanding as that development is," said Mr. Delpech. "In other

classes, especially the popular "light six" class, cars are to-day selling at less than half the price willingly paid for them only so recently as three years ago." This is put down to the spirit of enterprise animating the motor car manufacturer and the fitting of safety glass is quoted as an instance. Three years ago certain British manufacturers began to standardise it of their own accord and to-day there is hardly a model of even the cheapest make that has not got "Triplex all round" in its standard specification.

### World-Wide Orders.

Denmark is the latest of the Continental countries to offer Great Britain the opportunity of demonstrating the capabilities of the most modern type of bus chassis in municipal service. Recently the A.E.C. sent for service with the Copenhagen Tramways the first English 6-wheel single-decker to appear on Danish roads. This is one of the "Tenown" models and its work in and around Copenhagen will undoubtedly be arduous; further, it will be matched against several chassis of foreign manufacture.

As the outcome of sending out a demonstration chassis some time ago, the Johannesburg Municipality has placed an order for eight 110 h.p. "Ranger" chassis to be used as 36-seater single-deck buses. The Bombay Electric Supply Co. has ordered two "Regal" vehicles fitted with Walman sunshine roofs and the Maharajah of Patiala is going to use two similar A.E.C. chassis for hunting. The body of one is to be an ordinary travelling saloon and the other a dining saloon, complete with kitchen.

The Calcutta Police Authorities have recently passed a Commers double-deck "Avonier" chassis for service. This will be the largest bus in Calcutta and is registered for native passenger work as a 70-seater.

Keeping Cool in the Tropics.  
Whilst the overtype construction of commercial motors has many advantages, such as reduced turning circle and increased body space, it cannot be denied that in a hot climate the driver's cab, being built over the engine, is apt to become uncomfortably warm.

Thus Albion overtype models have recently had a modification introduced to overcome this difficulty. The bonnet has a double top and sides and there is a continuous current of air between the outer and inner walls, the flow being assisted by the fan and by scoops fitted at the forward end of the inner walls. This ingenious arrangement effects a

very marked reduction in the cab temperature.

### Refuse Collection.

The question of refuse collection in the big cities is nowadays of such importance that it is worth noting the methods adopted in certain instances. The system employed by the Glasgow Corporation at the Govan Destructor Works, for instance, has become so famous that deputations from large cities both at home and abroad have paid visits to see it in operation. Approximately 50 p.c. of the total quantity of the city's refuse is delivered to Govan, where it is used in the generating of electricity without the aid of any additional fuel, which forms part of the city's supply; by-products are also extracted and sold, thereby forming an additional source of revenue.

The vehicles used for the collection work are Garrett low loading electric. The original fleet supplied early in 1928 consisted of 36 vehicles, but this total has now been increased to 48 by repeat orders. It is significant that Paisley Corporation has now followed the lead of its neighbour and adopted Garrett electric.

The Health Department of the Government of Sarawak has recently placed a repeat order for two further Morris-Commercial special all-steel night soil wagons, which are to be used in connexion with the Health Service.

By the way, British manufacturers are so often accused of lethargy in respect of export trade that very definite evidence to the contrary is worth quoting. According to "Motor Transport," Morris Commercial Cars Ltd. recently received an order from Buenos Aires for 60 vehicles, worth £16,000. It came by telephone over the new line from the Argentine and three days later the vehicles were on board a vessel bound for South America.

### Road and Rail.

The extent which the big railway systems are employing motor vehicles is indicated by a recent order placed by the Great Western for over 100 additional Dennis vehicles to supplement those already in its fleet. The new vehicles are of the forward control pattern, affording an exceedingly large body space relative to the wheelbase.

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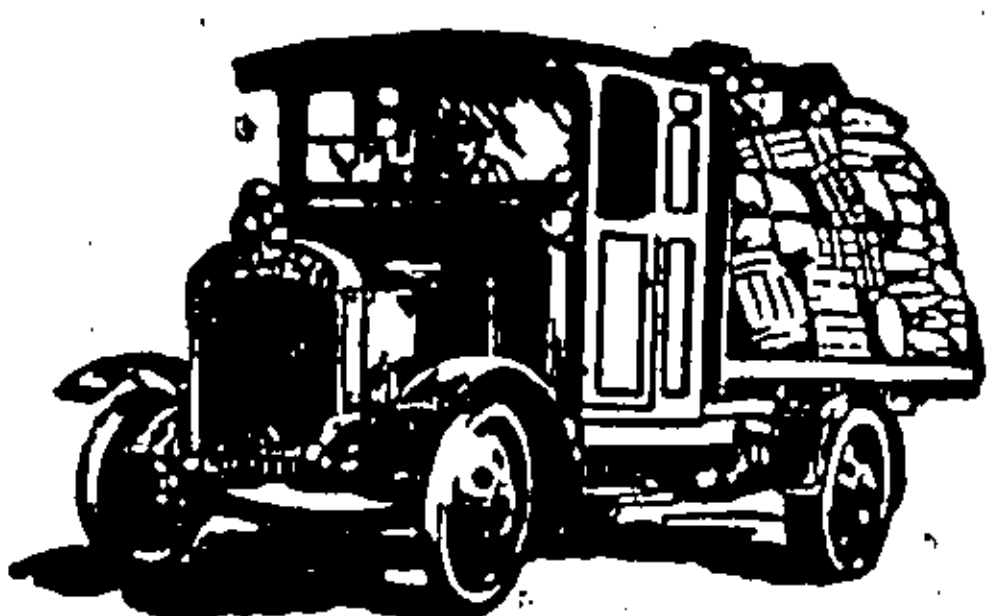
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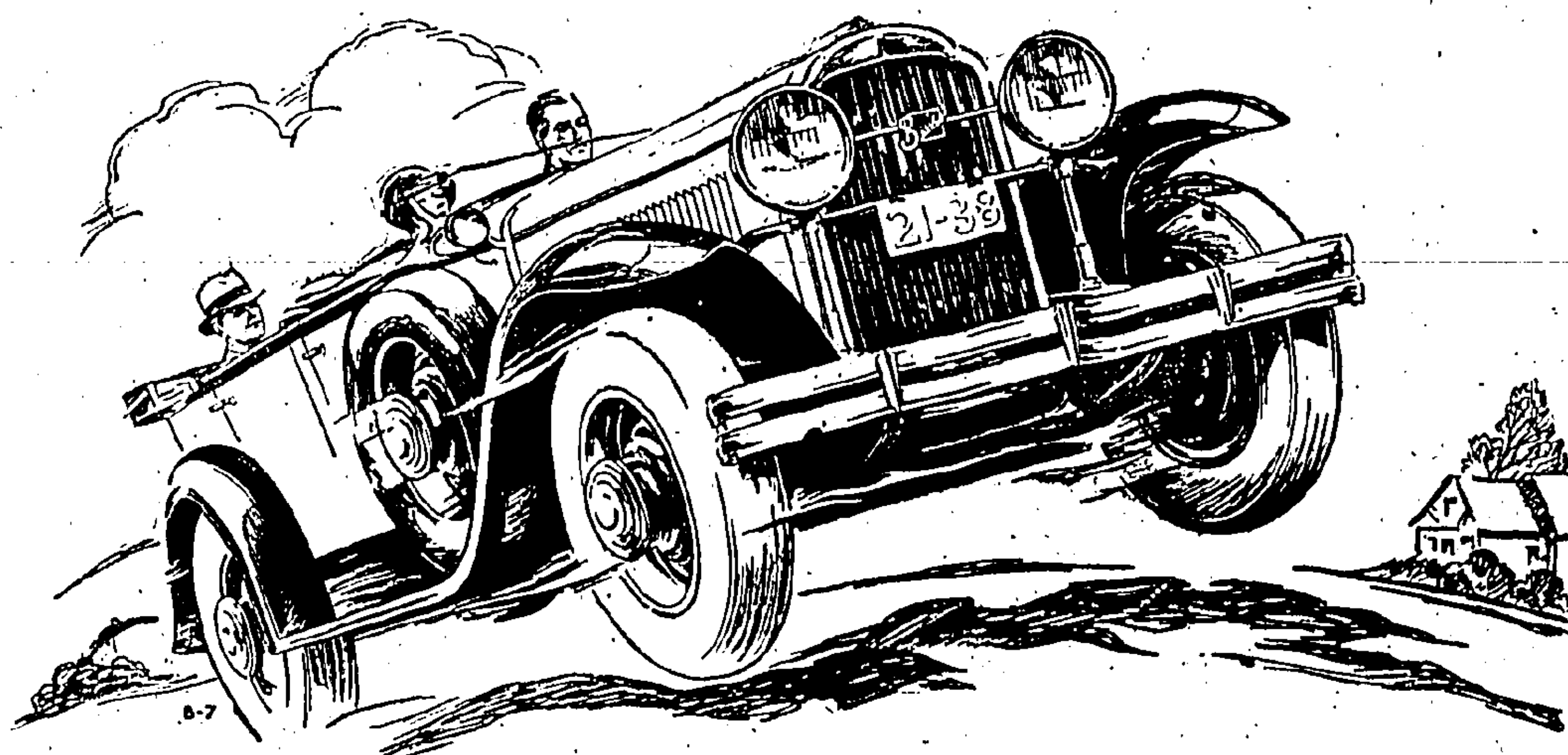
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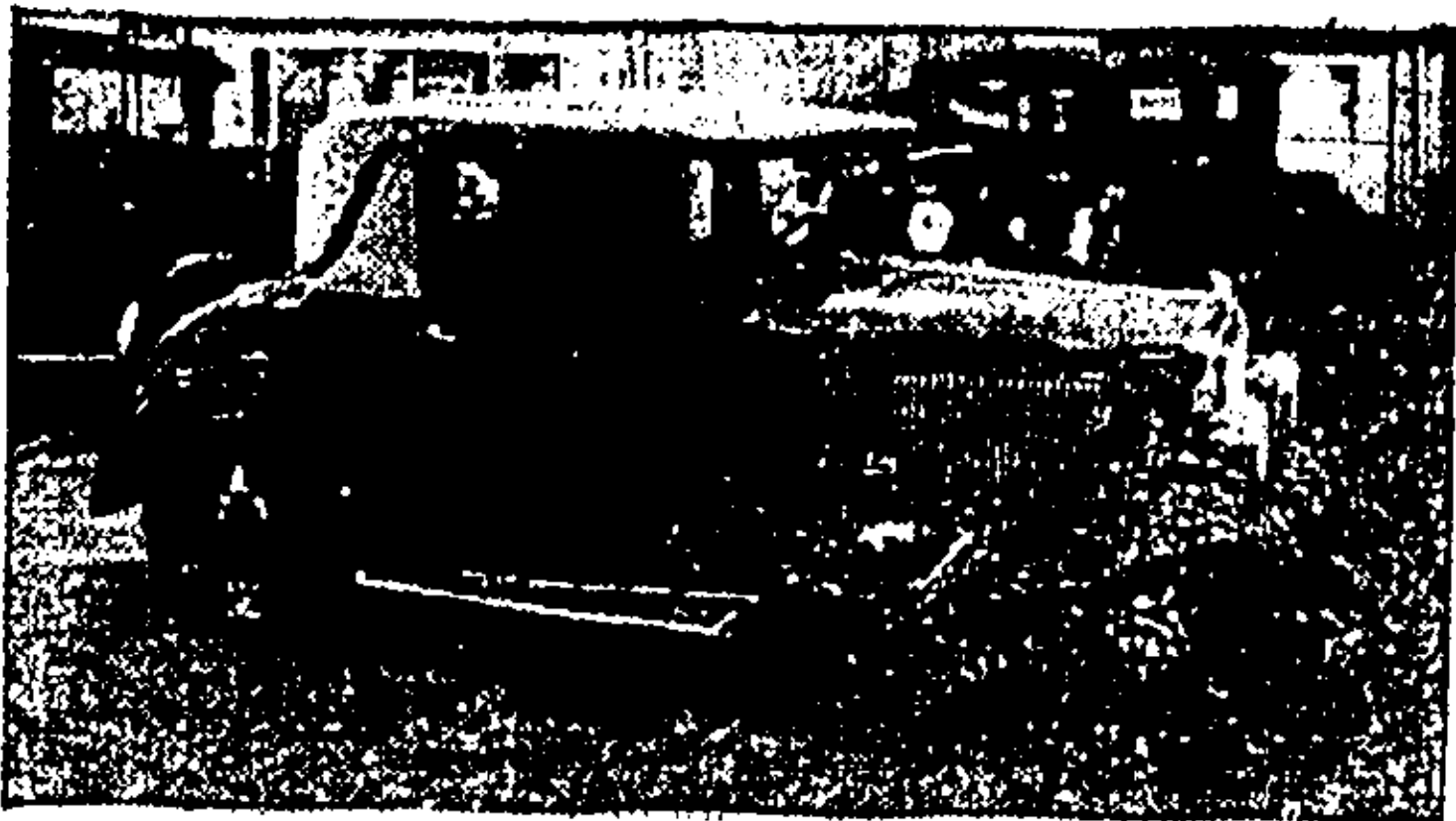
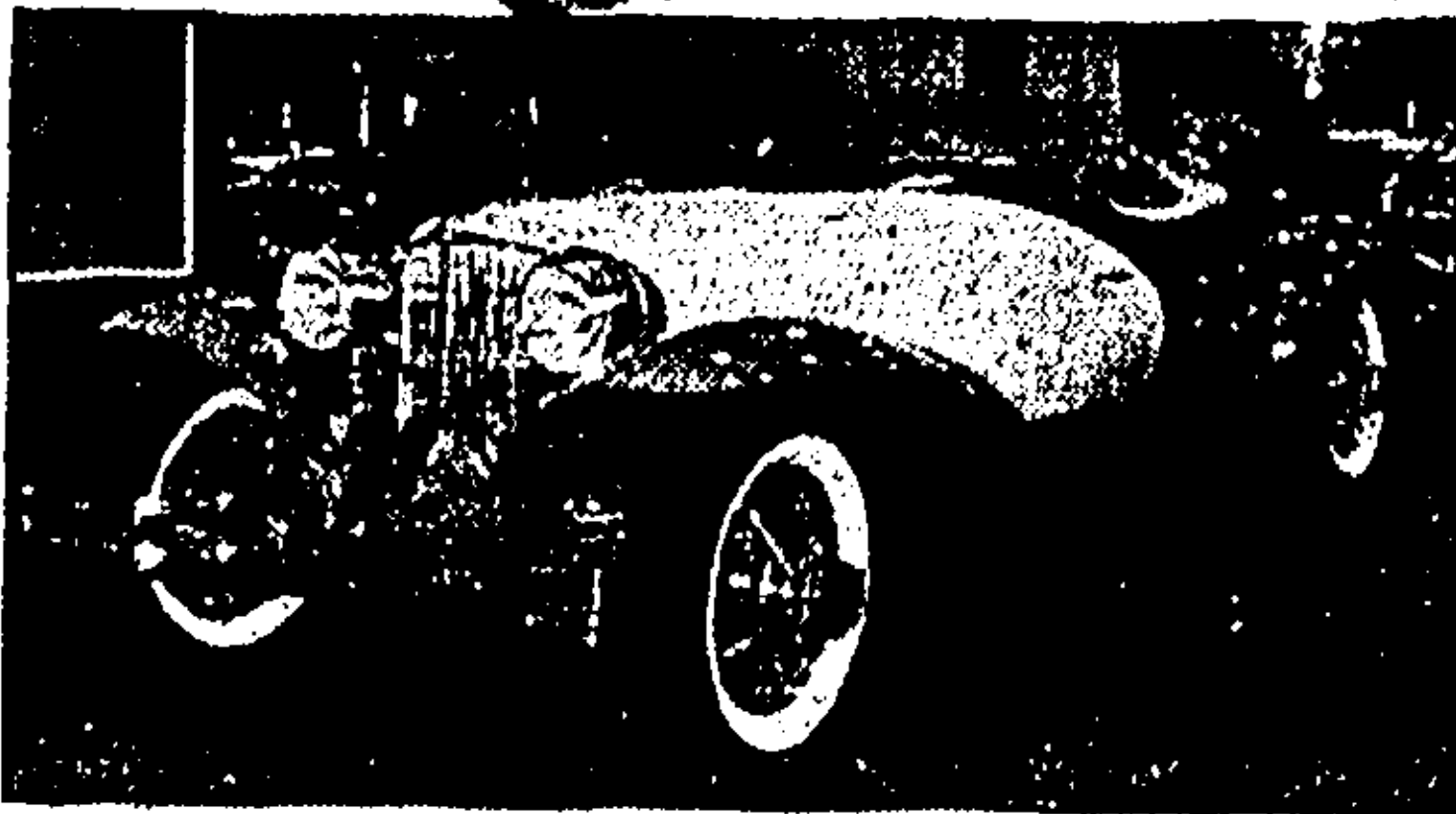
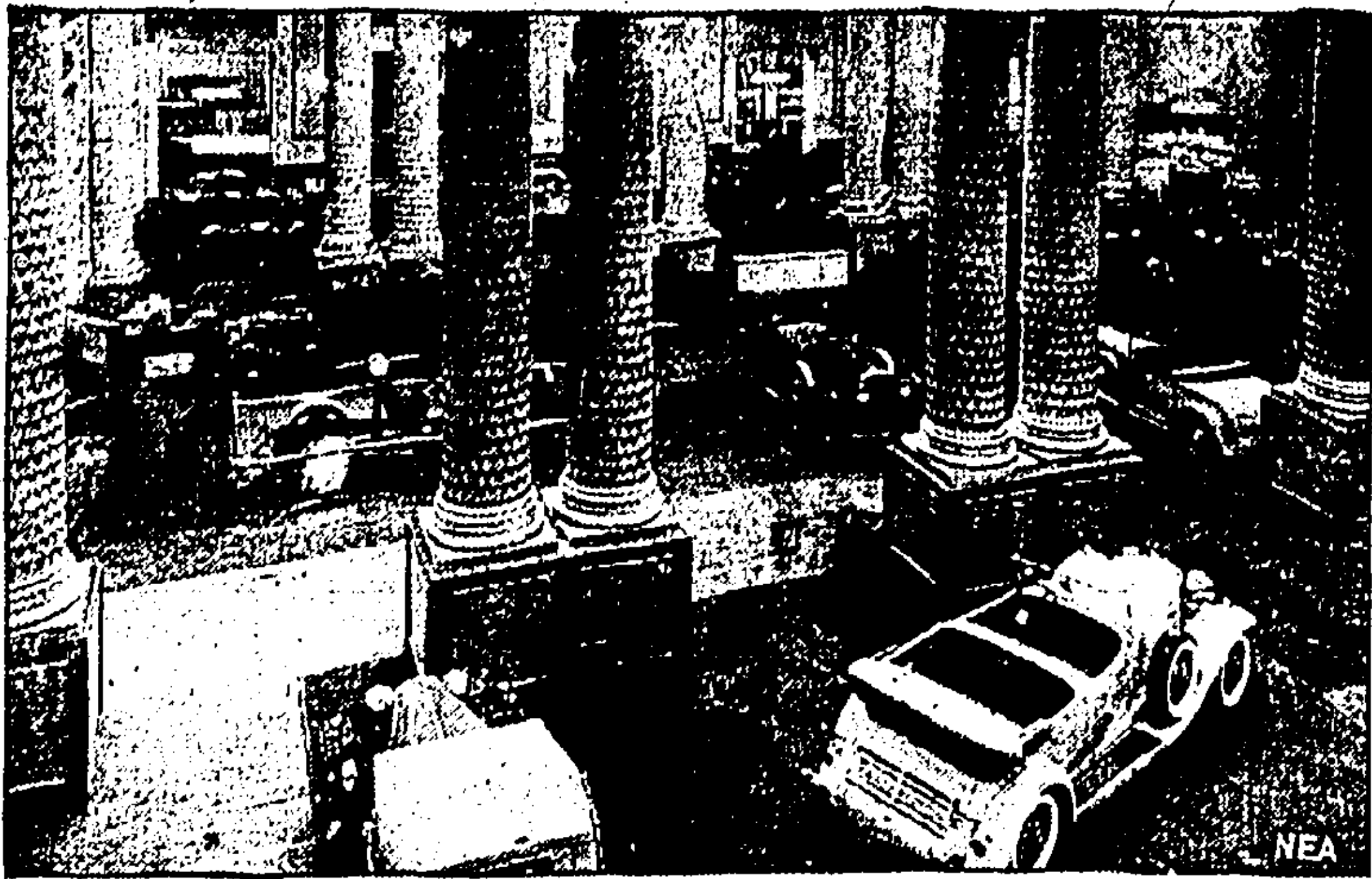
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NEW MODELS AT NEW YORK SHOW.



Above—Opening of the Automobile Show at Grand Central Palace, New York, this year, revealed a general agreement on dashing, snappy lines and attractive colour combinations. The photo shows a general view of the new cars on display.

Centre—Perhaps most unusual of all the new 1931 automobiles on display at the New York Auto Show at Grand Central Palace is this front drive Cord roadster, a combination not only of ultra-snappy lines but of quite contrasting colours, cream and henna. The torpedo-like fenders and rear give the car a further appearance of speed and snap.

Below—The new baby of 1931, the Mathis, was introduced to American motorists at the New York Auto Show at Grand Central Palace. Its wheelbase is 96 inches, it has a 32 horsepower engine and is said to go 35 miles on a gallon of fuel at 35 miles an hour. Price of the coupe will be \$445 at Lansing, Mich.

FEMININE RIGHTS.

Turkish Version of "This Freedom."

The old adage, "It's a man's world," is fast becoming obsolete even in Turkey where feminine rights, as such, have only recently begun to receive attention. There are few fields that seem less fitted for women, even in the western world, than that of taxi-driving yet in Constantinople a young convent-bred girl recently proclaimed her emancipation by taking a chauffeur's test and embarking on a career of taxi-driving.

Mouamer Hanoum was just eighteen years of age when she startled Constantinople by announcing her intention of taking a chauffeur's course. She subsequently passed the severe physical examination, and in a business-like manner asserted that she was prepared to enter the driver's tests. She displayed such unusual skill at the wheel that she completed her course in record time and captured high honours. She selected a Chevrolet for taxi work.

HIGHWAY CODE.

Danger at Tramway Stopping Places.

LIABILITY OF MOTORISTS.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, Minister of Transport, replying to Mr. Holford Knight, K.C., M.P. (Recorder of West Ham), on the subject of accidents to tram passengers, says that he has power under the Traffic Act to make local orders dealing with the control of motor-cars at tramway stopping places, but he considers that the matter is better dealt with in the Highway Code.

The draft Highway Code states: "Tramcars may be overtaken on the near side but in this case special caution is necessary. Watch carefully to see if passengers are boarding the tramcar or alighting from it before you pass; in any case go slow."

Mr. Morrison adds: "I would point out that if any driver endangers a person boarding or alighting from a tramcar he would be liable to proceedings for dangerous driving, while if he did not endanger anyone but did not show consideration he could be proceeded against for careless driving."

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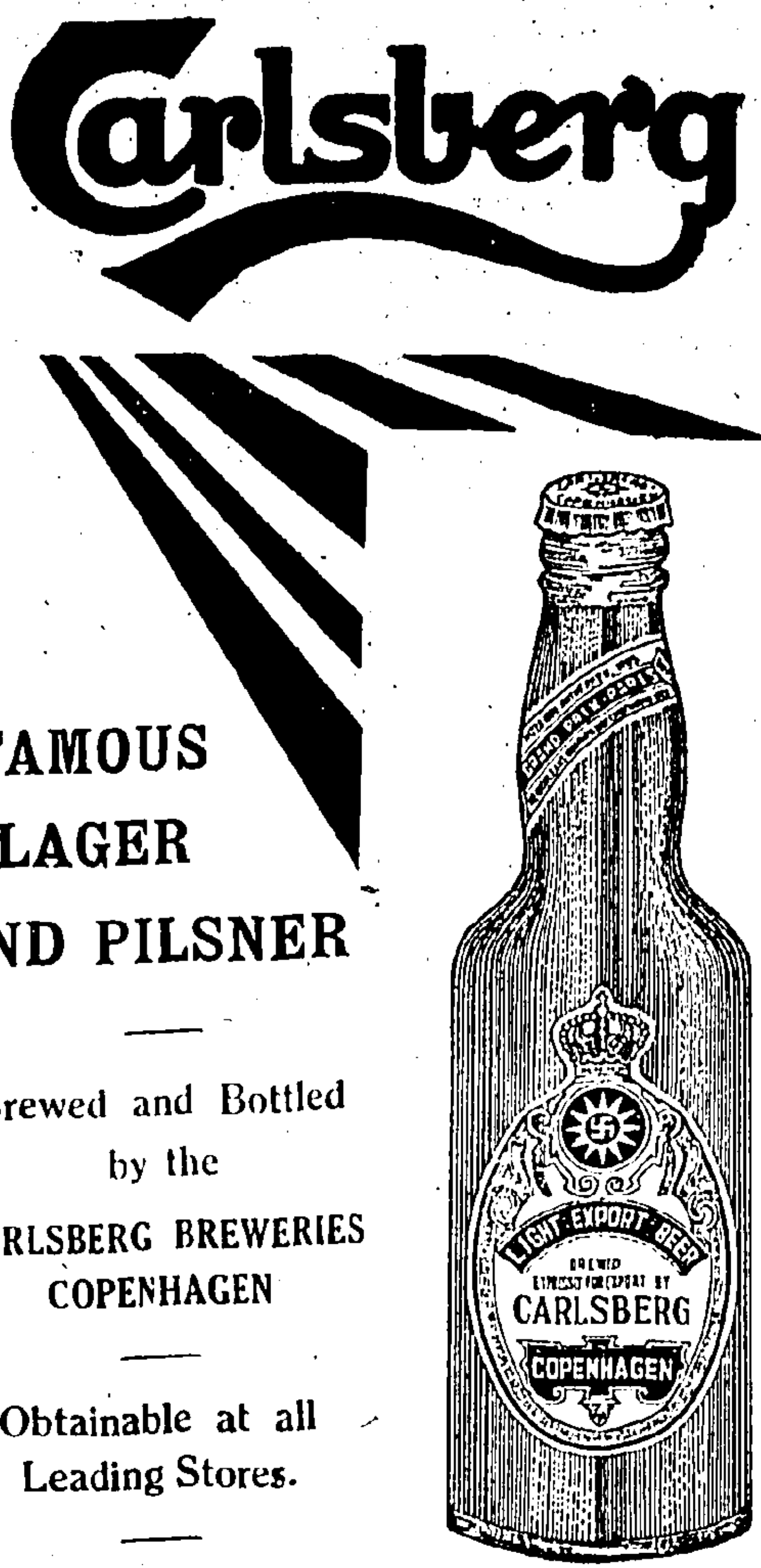
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## THE KAISER'S FRIEND.

"Truly amazing!" is the exclamation that arises to the lips of the reader on laying down Professor Haller's sympathetic biography of Philip, Prince zu Eulenburg, who through two decades was the Kaiser's loyal friend and mentor. Amazing the picture painted of the Court and life of the monarch whom King Edward justly styled "the most brilliant failure known to history," amazing the portrait drawn of that monarch himself in all his superficial cleverness, instability, neuroticism, and astounding want of breeding; and still more amazing the thumb-nail sketches of the men by whom the Kaiser was surrounded and flattered and befuddled. Not since the eighteenth century, and perhaps not since the Renaissance, can there have existed a Court in which intrigue and sycophancy were so rife as in the Court of William II.

### Fools and Mummies.

Fools and mummies were there in plenty—and not a few knaves; but of all the unformed crowd whose duty it was to amuse and listen to their Imperial master, scarcely one was to be found who had the uprightness of character and the moral courage to tell him the truth. The one exception was the Kaiser's friend—Philip Eulenburg. He never shirked the highly dangerous task and, if he clothed the unpalatable truth in honeyed phrases, he never did so to such an extent that its bitter taste would be hidden from the Kaiser's tongue. When the Kaiser, in a telegram sent en clair to Eulenburg, who was then Prussian Minister in Munich, spoke of the "idiotic Bavarian loyalists," and added, "How often have I laughed over the incredible folly of the good Bavarians," Eulenburg administered a sharp reproof. "When Your Majesty telegraphs en clair such expressions as 'idiotic Bavarian loyalists,' and 'foolish Bavarians,' Your Majesty compromises yourself, Your Majesty's Government, and Your Majesty's Ambassador. . . . That message of yesterday wounds the Bavarians in their most sensitive spot—their vanity. It may have consequences of which we can as yet form no conception. Or does Your Majesty want a fight?" It must be admitted in the Kaiser's favour that he does not seem to have borne any malice towards Eulenburg for his plain speaking. Unhappily, both for the Kaiser and for Germany, Eulenburg's admonitions failed of effect upon his volatile monarch. "The

poor Emperor," he wrote in 1894, only six years after William II. ascended the throne, "is getting on everyone's nerves, but there is no help for it. When a marriage turns out badly the pair can separate. Between people and sovereign that is not such an easy matter. So the unhappy marriage must only go on." And so on it did, until, in November, 1918, the aged, disgraced, and physically broken Eulenburg was granted the melancholy satisfaction of seeing his own worst prophecies fulfilled in the Kaiser's flight to Holland and the establishment of the German Republic.

### Sympathetic Pencil.

As delineated by Professor Haller's possibly too sympathetic pencil, Eulenburg stands out head and shoulders above the time-serving courtiers and brusque Prussian officers among whom he was fated to pass the majority of his days. A veritable grand seigneur, an artist to the finger-tips, musician and composer and friend of Cosima Wagner, a brilliant writer and causeur, sensitive and sympathetic and intuitive, Philip Eulenburg was above all else a great gentleman at a Court where, gentlemen, in the true sense of the word, were conspicuous by their absence. On reading his own letters and dispatches, and still more Professor Haller's story of the tragic close to his public life, it becomes easy to understand how Count Witte, on a visit, in 1905, to the Emperor at Rominten, noted in his diary: "Pour tous ceux qui étaient présents, c'était en réalité le comte Eulenburg qui paraissait le souverain." Fate, however, had denied Eulenburg the purple mantle and assigned to him instead the thankless role of an emperor's friend. How thankless and tragic that role was to prove in Eulenburg's case the reader must be left to learn from Professor Haller, whose dramatic and moving narration has gained rather than lost in vividness in Miss Colburn Mayne's English translation.

It was a favourite thesis of the late Prince Bulow that the storm-clouds only gathered over Germany after his own fall from power in 1909—like many other notions of "the German Machiavelli" it was very far removed from the truth. As early as 1894 Eulenburg wrote: "Everyone snapping at everyone else, hating everyone else, lying about everyone else, betraying everyone else they are drawing the chariot of State, indeed, but not for love of the poor Emperor, who really means well, and yet is for ever stirring up the State soup-kettle with his self-invented spoon, and preventing it from turning into any sort of soup at all." And a month later: "More frequently than ever before I feel as if I were living in a

# SHOTS FROM A CAR.

## MOTORIST'S NIGHT ADVENTURE.

To see the driver of another car which was travelling ahead of him at night suddenly produce a revolver and fire three shots was the alarming experience of Mr. Brian Williams, who lives at Chippendale, five miles from Watford.

Mr. Williams was driving some friends home to Watford when the other car, a red saloon, passed as he was turning on to the main road.

"We followed for some distance," Mr. Williams said "and when at the top of Whippendell Hill we were startled to see the driver thrust his hand, holding a revolver, out of the side window of the car.

"There were three reports and we saw the flashes. Instinctively I pulled up my car, but the other one continued down the hill and before I could overtake it to see its number it had disappeared.

"I can only assume that it was a car bandit who, thinking that we might be following him, fired wildly in front of us to put us off his track."

The spot where the incident occurred is a mile from King's Langley, on the main road to London, and two miles from the northern end of the Watford by-pass road.

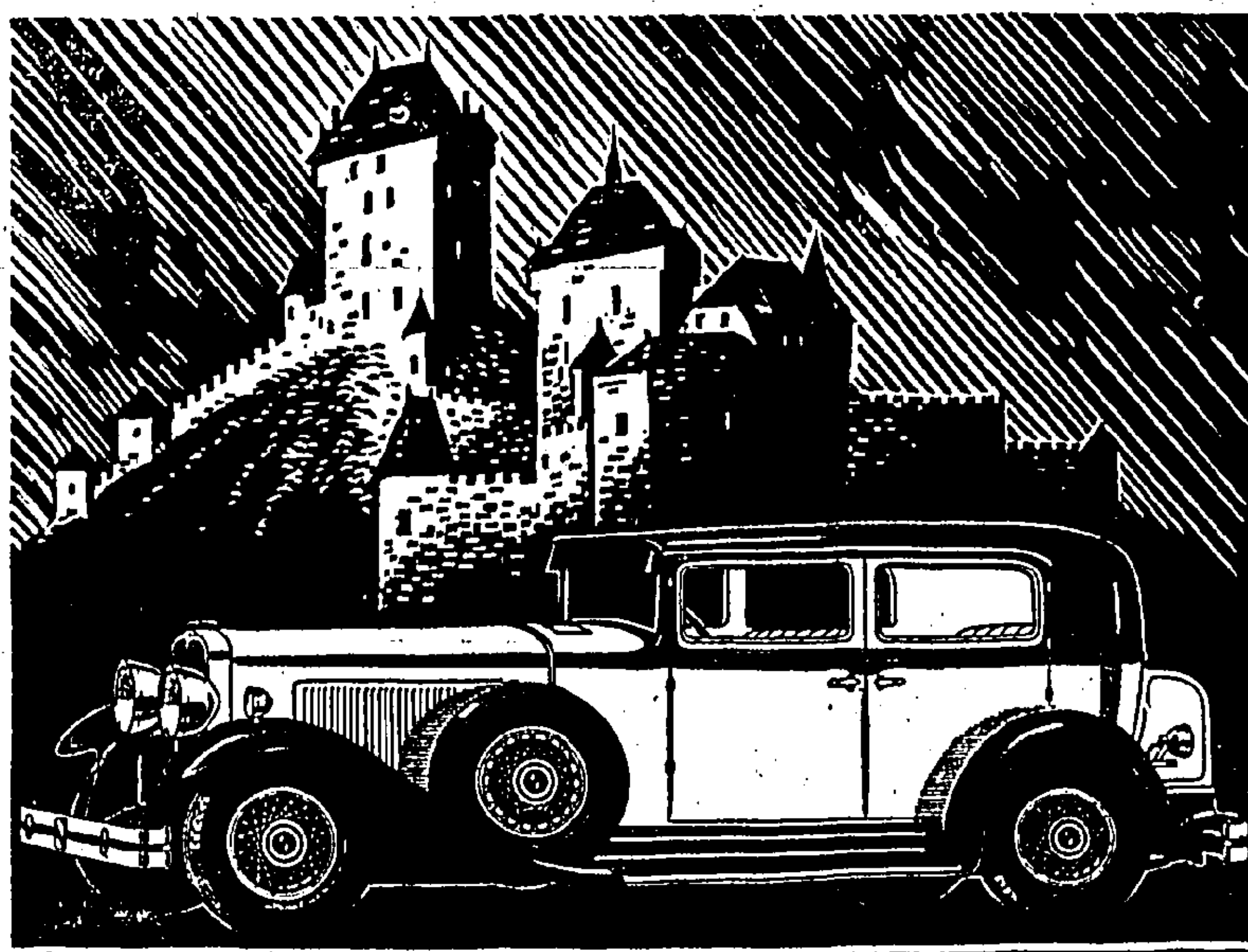
madhouse. Insane narrow-mindedness—insane, controversies—insane arrogance Bedlam—Bedlam—Bedlam!" After this book it will be unnecessary and will ill-become the foreigner to pass judgment upon William II. and his generals and statesmen. It has been done by the pen of a Prussian gentleman and a Prussian patriot.

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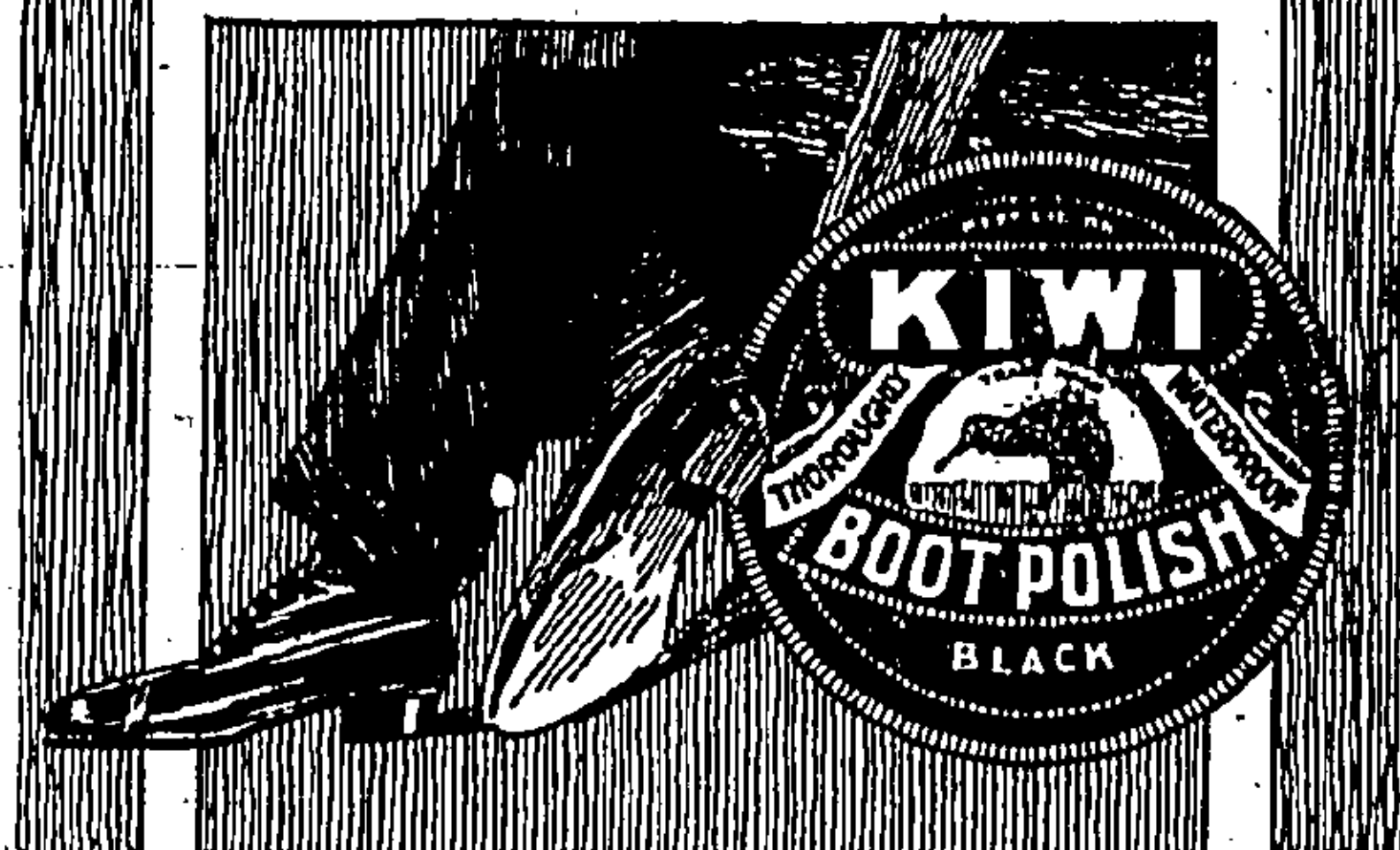
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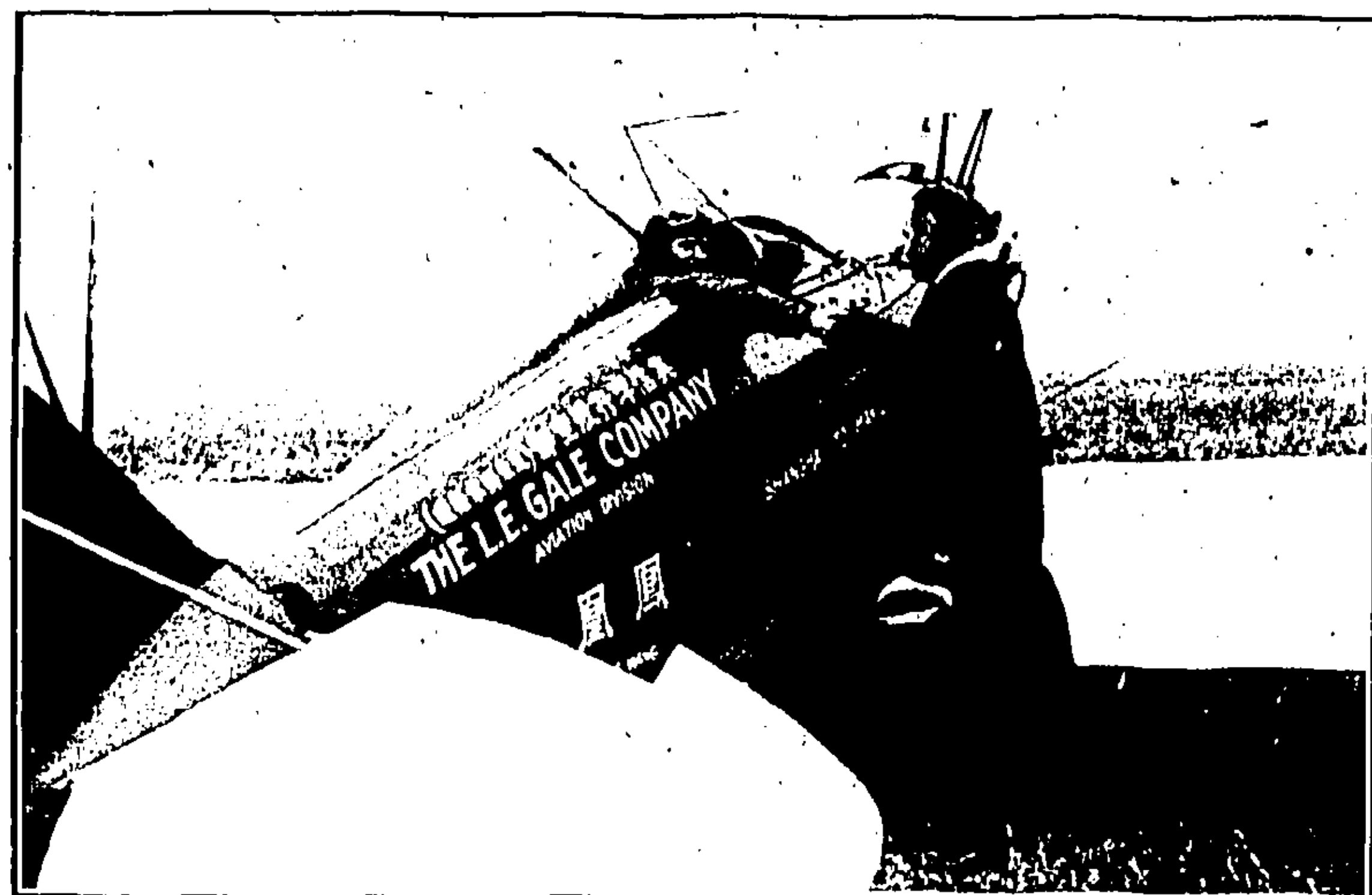
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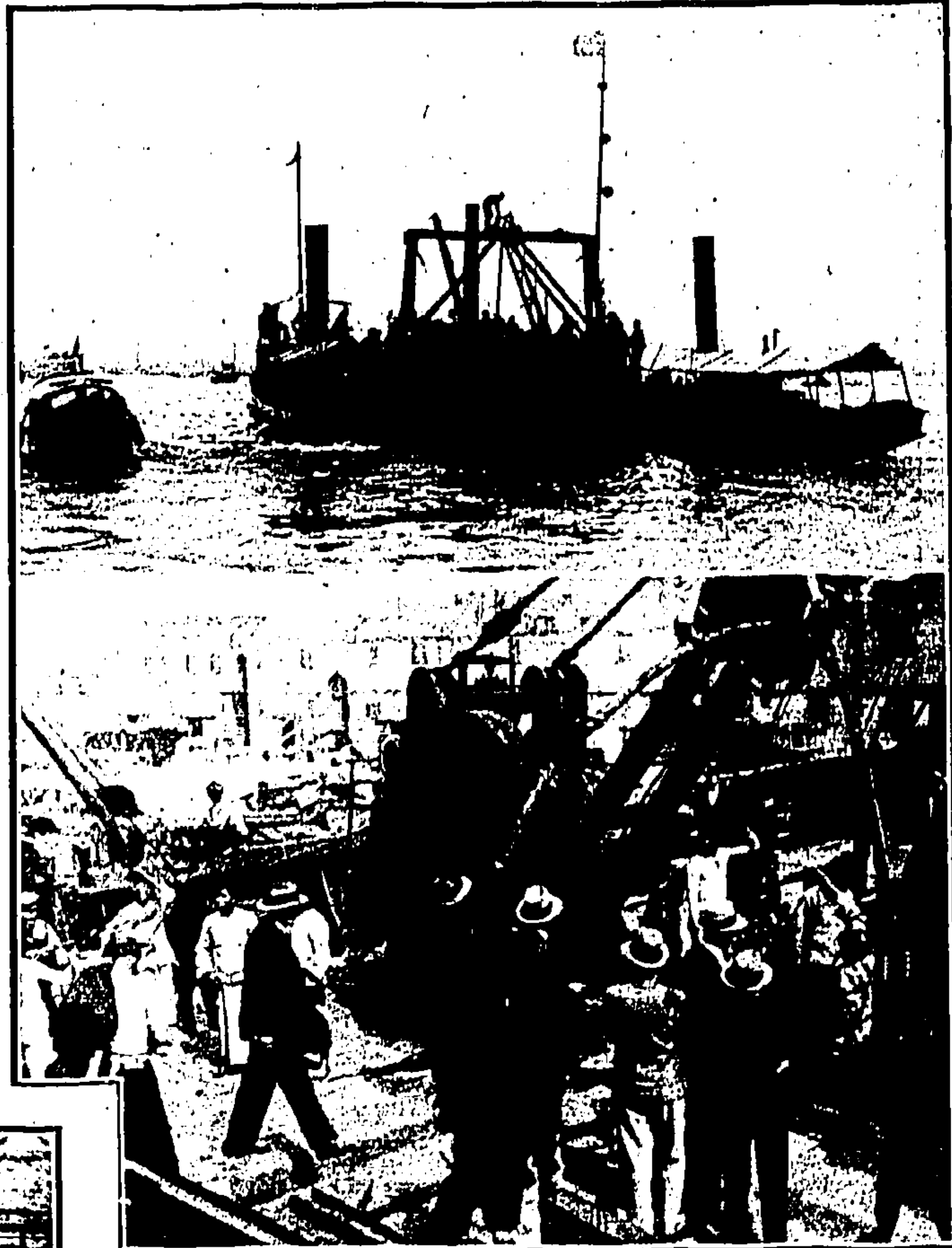
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Mr. G. W. Brophy is here shown about to take off from Shanghai on his flight to Manila via Canton. He is being wished good luck by Mr. L. E. Gale, President of the L. E. Gale Company, one of whose planes was used in the flight.



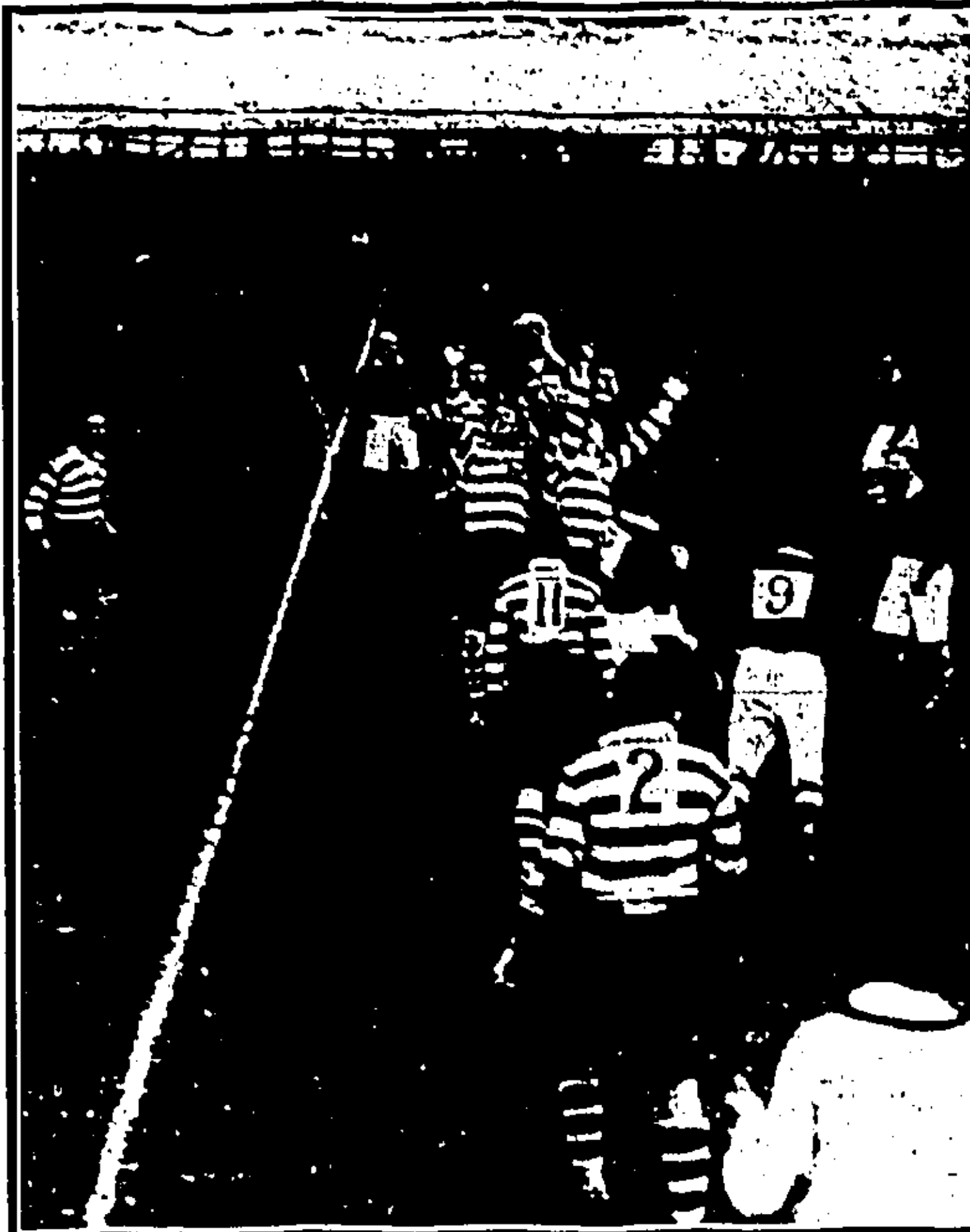
This picture shows the submarine cable which will form part of the Hongkong-Canton telephone system being placed in a lighter just prior to its being laid down. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



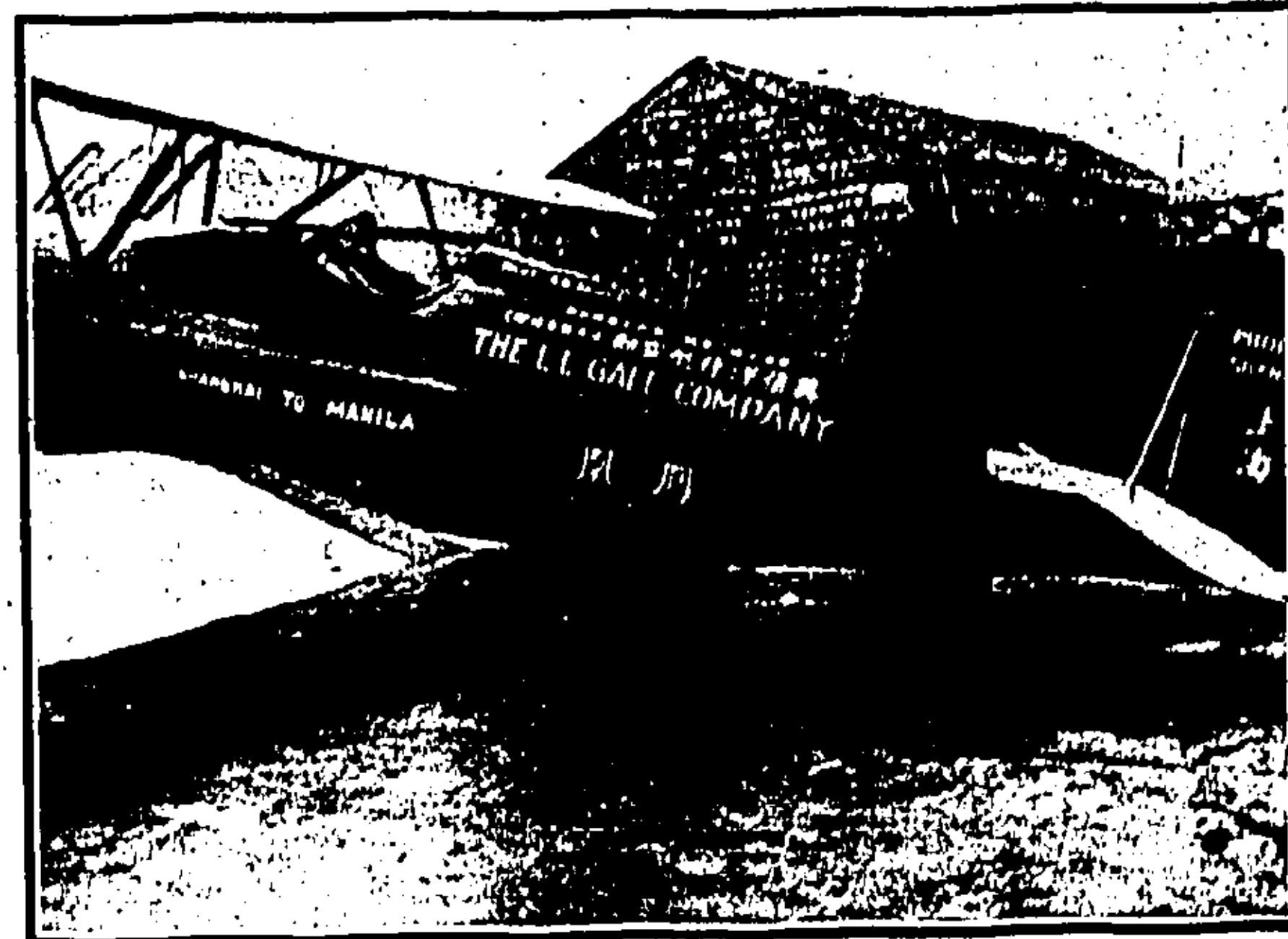
The laying of the submarine cable of the Hongkong-Canton telephone system on the seabed of Hongkong harbour is shown in the above two pictures. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



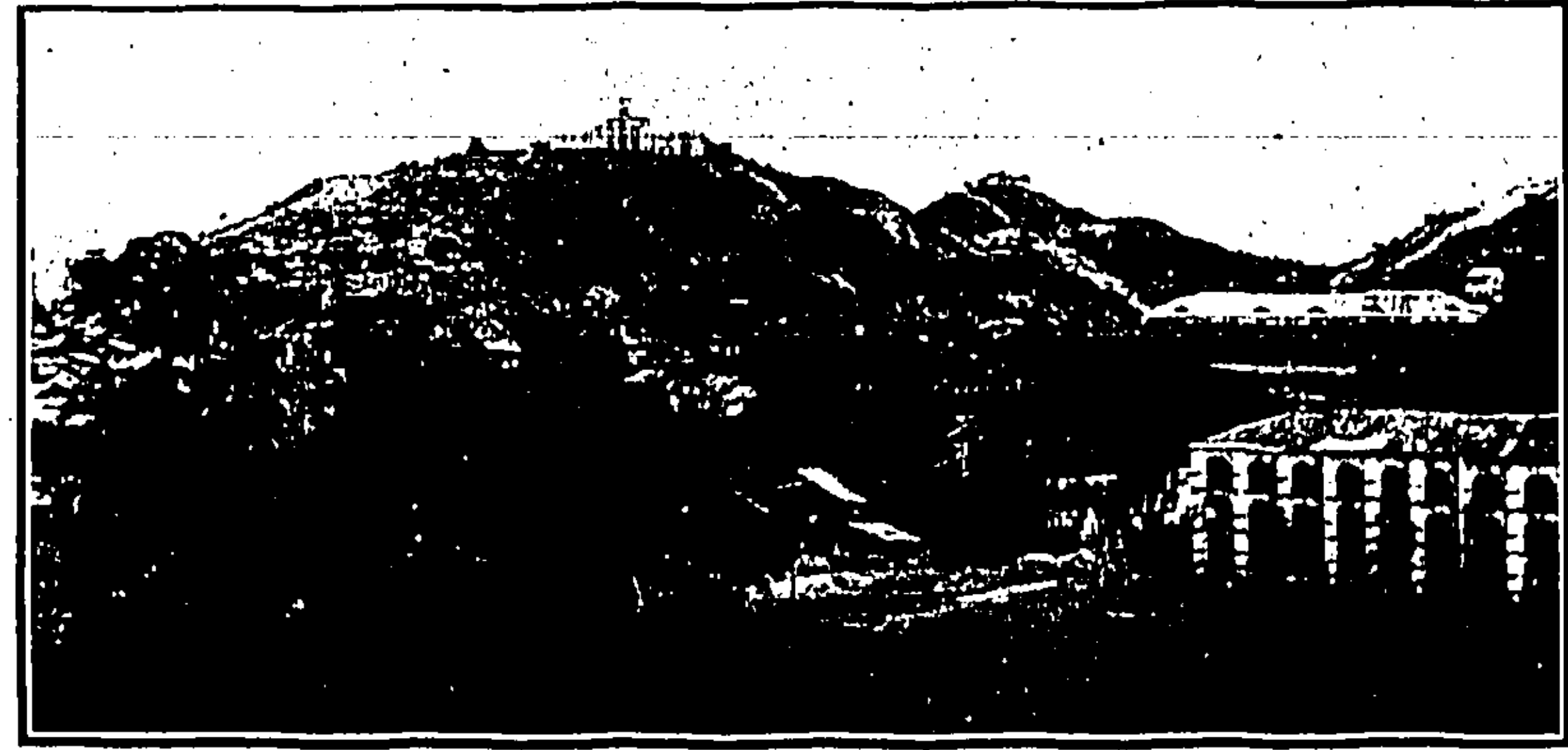
Here are seen the Interport Rugby teams representing Hongkong and Shanghai, which met on Saturday last. The Hongkong XV won a thrilling match by 21 points to three. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Eagerness to get the ball is depicted in this line-out during the Interport Rugby match between Hongkong and Shanghai last Saturday. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Mr. G. W. Brophy, of the L. E. Gale Company, is here shown with his plane on arrival at Kai Tak Aerodrome from Swatow. After a brief stay, he hopped off for Canton.



This picture of Wuchow, the well-known West River port, shows the memorial to the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen on the hill in the background.



This excellent action picture shows a Hongkong man being brought down in the Shanghai "25" line during last Saturday's Interport Rugby match. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



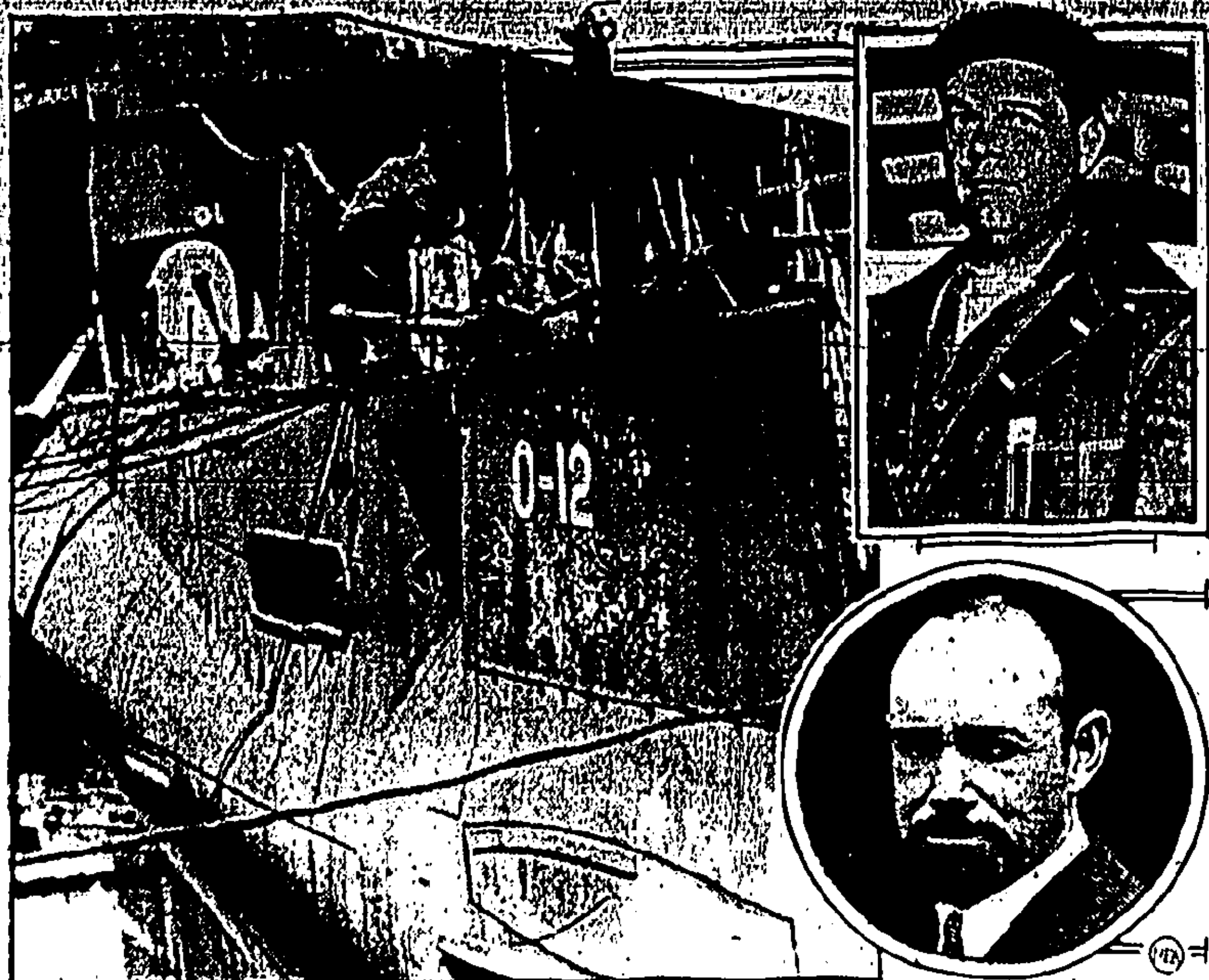
Snapped at the Hongkong v. Shanghai Interport Rugby match. Left: a dribbling movement with both packs in full chase; right, Lammert doing a speedy run down the line. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



A close-up of Mr. G. W. Brophy, who has experienced such ill-luck in his flight from Shanghai to Manila via Canton.



## SIR HUBERT WILKINS' NEXT VENTURE. SUBMARINE TRIP UNDER POLAR ICE.



Almost ready for the most fantastic adventure in arctic exploration, the U. S. submarine O-12 is shown at the left in dry dock at Philadelphia, where it has been remodelled. Sir Hubert Wilkins, commander of the expedition and veteran polar explorer, is pictured lower right. Above is Sloane Benson, former submarine officer and master of the expedition's vessel, which will be renamed the Nautilus.

As strange a craft as ever was conceived in the mind of Jules Verne soon will be cruising off the Atlantic coast in trials which must precede the day when it boldly dives under the edge of the arctic ice for the long, dark journey across the north pole.

Instead of 20,000 leagues under the sea, however, the U. S. submarine O-12, almost unrecognizably remodelled for its scientific adventures in the arctic, must cruise 20,000 miles. And for fully 3,000 miles it will have to travel under the vast sheet of polar ice which already has crushed nearly 300 exploring ships.

Like Verne's fictitious craft, it will be named the Nautilus, according to Sir Hubert Wilkins, commander of the expedition. The main tests of its new equipment have been successfully carried out in drydock at Philadelphia, and navy experts have approved its design. All that remains are final fittings, trial runs and training of the crew for their fantastic voyage under the top of the world.

Will Aid Meteorologists. Sir Hubert himself, enthusiastic over what he considers assurance of success, prefers now to think only of the scientific aspects of the undersea exploration.

"Our purpose," he explained, "is to determine whether it is possible to establish one or more permanent meteorological bases on the polar ice. There are to be 32 permanent stations within the arctic circle, and twelve new stations within the antarctic. These, correlated with other stations now existing, will make it possible to forecast seasonal conditions with accuracy."

Sir Hubert's flights from his

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## PEACE TREATY REVISION. European Bloc May Be Formed.



A new bloc of European nations is being formed to seek a revision of the peace treaty, according to many political observers. Here you see four of the movement's leaders. Upper left, Premier Mussolini, of Italy; upper right, Mustafa Kemal Pasha, President of Turkey; lower left, Premier Venizelos, of Greece; lower right, Premier Bethlen, of Hungary.

A huge Continental bloc comprising Italy, Germany, Russia and four lesser Powers is forming to seek revision of the peace treaties. This is only according to reports which have been gaining impetus through all the circles of statecraft, but a significant roll of facts is being offered to substantiate the rumours.

Italy has signed a treaty of amity with Hungary, and has given that country an outlet to the sea. After signing another treaty of amity with Turkey, it brought Turkey and Greece together in a pact of arbitration and limitation of navies—thus assuring Italy nothing but friends in the eastern Mediterranean.

Met at Milan. Signor Grandi, Italy's foreign minister, has met Litvinof of the

have been 600 feet long which can be used to admit air in an emergency. In case the power should fail, all of the apparatus is designed to be operated by hand. And since the vessel will have a positive buoyancy at all times it would rise against the ice when not under power, thus allowing the men to cut their way to the surface. Powerful radio equipment will permit two-way communication with civilization whether the Nautilus is submerged or on the surface.

Vast Depths Threaten. Collision, or crushing by heavy floes, still remain the greatest dangers. The men prefer not to dwell too long on the thought of the vast, dark depths which always will lie below them. Between Spitzbergen and the pole, Roald Amundsen made a soundings of more than 14,000 feet through the ice. Wilkins himself, while north of the Bering Sea, dropped a line to 18,500 feet—more than three miles. The personnel is being chosen with greatest care. Wilkins and Benson will be accompanied by a crew of men who have been naval service on submarines. Scientists have been recruited from America, Germany, Norway and England. The master of the submarine will be Sloane Benson, former U. S. submarine officer and master of the expedition's vessel, which will be renamed the Nautilus. The expedition will be commanded by Sir Hubert Wilkins, a veteran polar explorer and meteorologist. The vessel will be equipped with a powerful radio, a searchlight, and a large supply of food and other necessities. The expedition will be launched in the summer of 1931.

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IV. that last winter ball will shed a lingering glamour for the girl who wears Irene Dana's cream satin frock with an all-over net design in gold

V. to insure your invitation to the spring dances or late-winter college house parties, try this two-piece suit of dark green, from Heim.



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BETWEEN the seasons is a perplexing time for all of you who like to look chic.

Dressing smartly on that home-stretch of winter is the problem before the house today.

Shall you buy something new to carry you over with chic until spring is really here? Or shall you cke out on the old wardrobe lines?

The first, most emphatically, if the exchequer will stretch to permit it. There is no time of the year when a new frock, suit, coat, hat or complete outfit will do so much for you as right now, at the far end of winter.

It will help to freshen you and carry you through. There are many suits you can get today that will thrill your heart right now and be invaluable for a couple of months this year and just what you need next fall.

A four-piece suit bought now not only will clothe you superbly the rest of this winter but, when spring comes, shed your top coat and wear your suit and when summer comes, shed your suit and put your top coat over silk frocks for your boat trip or auto tour.

I. IF YOU have enough everyday wearable things, but feel a crying need for a little costume that would put you in a holiday mood. Worth makes just the little suit for you.

In the first place it has a definite air of youth about it and yet is cut so that any woman can wear it and look charming. It is brown satin cloth, trimmed with exactly matching brown astrakhan. The skirt has double French box pleats, at the sides of the front panel, on both sides and in the back. This gives a graceful flare, almost like a flounce.

The coat is rather short waisted, with a peplum effect to its skirt. The way the astrakhan trims the coat is stunning. There are little elbow bands, quite narrow and a quite narrow band finishing the coat's peplum. The collar is a charming version of the shawl collar and tie, which is universally becoming.

There is a sumptuous brocaded beige and green blouse under the coat, and the bag and gloves are beige. The hat is of fine felt, matching the suit's brown.

II. HEIM fashions an admirable suit for your use. It is three tones of gray, trimmed with gray astrakhan and lined by a vest of gray with glowing yellow striping it.

There is a frock of the medium gray jersey almost invisibly striped in a lighter tone. This frock is two-piece with a flared skirt and a cute simple neckline and long sleeves to its waist. Over it there is a cardigan coat of the same material, with a vestee finish of the novelty yellow and gray-striped jersey. You can take off the jersey blouse, wear a gray yellow silk one and the cardigan jacket and have an entirely different looking outfit.

Over this is the long, flaring coat, with its smart deep cuffs and small,

close-fitting cushion collar of gray astrakhan.

The coat is of much heavier material than the suit, and just a trifle darker in tone. Topping it all there is a charming little hat in the gray jersey with a face banding of woven yellow silk braid. It is a restrained yet cheery little outfit. It would give you such a variety of changes that you might well labor under the pleasing delusion that you have a couple of new suits and a frock besides. At least there is a good chance of making your friends think so.

III. IF YOU are the dignified type, or if you have a position where you must look dignified and chic at all costs, another Heim suit should interest you, intrigue you.

It is gray and black flecked tweed, tailored to fit and flare in the most perfect manner. The skirt has a beautifully fitted yoke, with flare beneath. The coat is the new length, with its skirt portion flaring in the same degree that the skirt does.

There is a lovely fur trim, a notched collar and front facing and shaped cuffs, made of black astrakhan paws. A belt of black suede, with a silver buckle, fastens lightly at the waistline. With the skirt there is a tailored white flat crepe blouse, with a collar just like the cut of the coat's collar. Rondels of white jade, a black fur hat and black suede shoes complete the outfit.

IV. IF YOU haven't indulged in a regal party outfit this year, do get one now while there are such magnificent reductions. All of you should have the experience of owning and wearing a trained gown.

A perfectly sumptuous outfit is a heavy cream satin with an all-over net design in gold thread. It has the sleek, slinky, flattering beauty of the satin. It has the glamour, the romance of the gold cobweb over it.

The gown itself has a real, honest-to-goodness train, fitted lines and a charming decolletage of the same design of sparkling fine gold beads, cut out underneath. It has a lovely coat, one of the new ones that fit to the waist and then have a skirt to them, longer than a peplum.

V. IF YOU already have or if you expect to have an invitation to the February college house parties, you will want, and need, a dressy street costume.

A Heim suit of fine dark green cloth, with beige summer ermine trim, is regal in its beauty and springlike in its color.

It has a fitted line, with the skirt to the coat quite as voluminous as some frocks, giving it a dressy look. It is quite simple in its cut and closes way under the arm. The heart collar of beige drops its ends down the back, which swing from there like a little bolero. There are deep puff cuffs of the soft fur, and a wee hat of beige wool lace has a tiny veil atop it of beige, with green dots.

Under this there is a crepe frock of a lighter tone of the same green.

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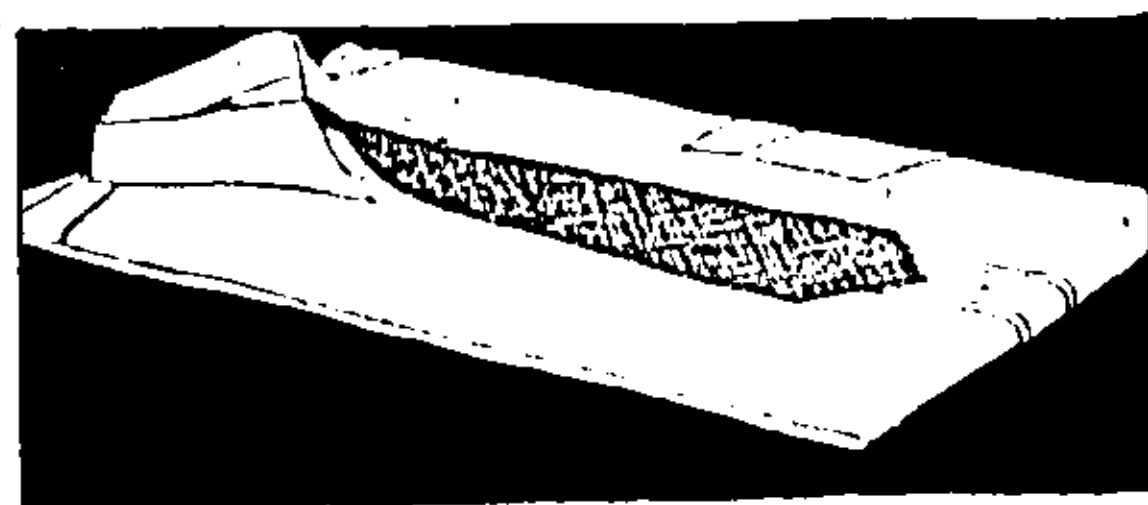
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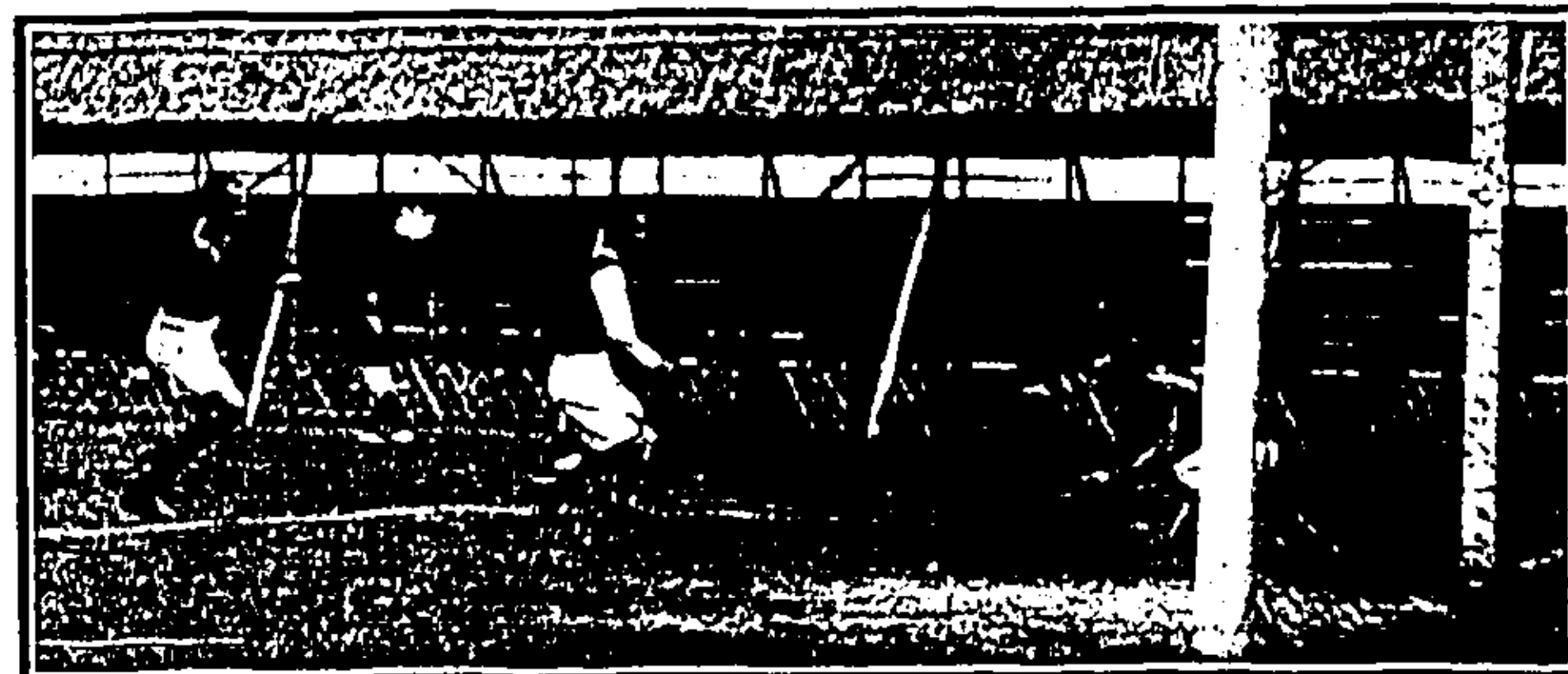
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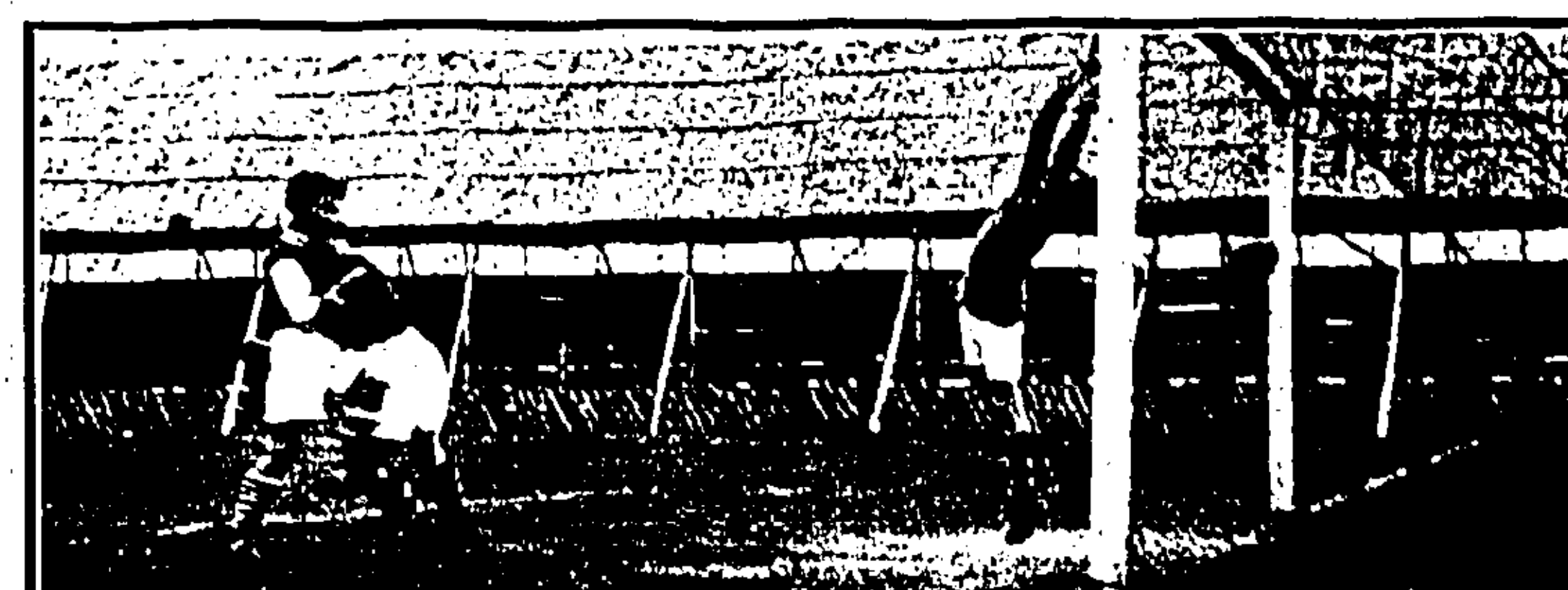
An extremely pretty operetta, entitled "St. Elizabeth's Roses," was presented by pupils of the French Convent School at their recent prize-giving. Above are seen those who took part therein. (Photo: A. Fong).



Two leading characters in "St. Elizabeth's Roses," presented by pupils of the French Convent School. (Photo: A. Fong).



This picture shows Aitken, the Navy golfer, gathering a shot by Li Wai-tung, who is seen in close attendance with Dixon on his heels. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Fung King-cheung scoring a splendid goal for South China against the Navy, in spite of a vigorous challenge by Dixon. South China won 7-2. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



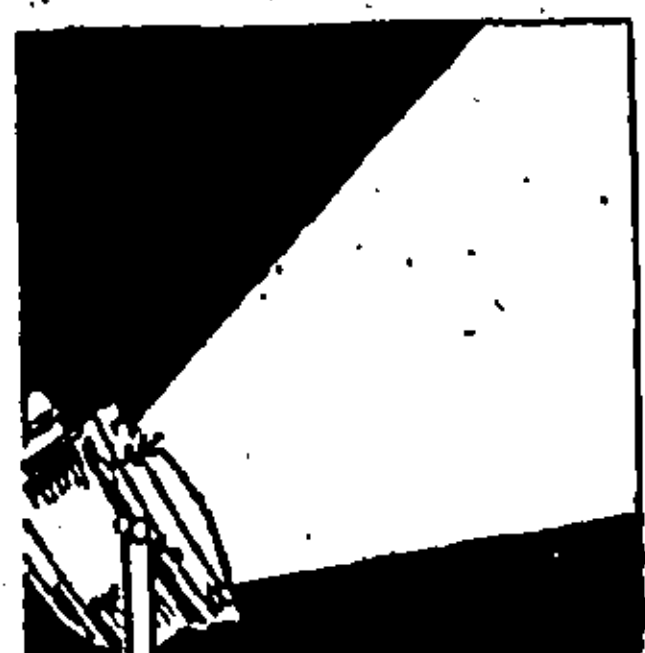
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